



We Shall Never Forget!

One year later, McDaniel College remembers the horrific tragedy of September 11 by speaking out during campus events.

LeRoy McDuffie
News Editor

It has been one year since the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. In the last year, this country has been united like never before—encouraging and supporting one another through this difficult time.

September 11 was once an ordinary day of the year with no holiday linked to it—at least until last year. This year however, 9/11 holds much more significance. As soon as the first plane hit the World Trade Center, this country became more aware that we must not be as complacent about the world we live in.

The McDaniel College community still remains strong after the tragic events on the 11 of September by continuing to their way of life, but not forgetting what gave them the strength to continue.

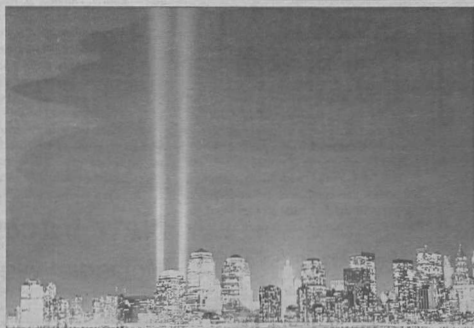
Several students explain how

they remember September 11: Marcus Woods, a senior English major says that "It [9/11] makes me realize how petty arguments are." For him, 9/11 made him realize that there are things more important in life than arguing over petty disputes—it changed his worldview.

Jim Perry, a senior Sociology major feels that 9/11 made him realize that "you can not take life for granted...it proved we're not invincible." Many people in our country have similar feelings about how 9/11 changed the way they looked at themselves and the rest of the world.

McDaniel College will be holding several events that will help the healing process as well as understanding the possible reasons for the 9/11 tragedy. The political science department will be holding a ques-

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"Two Towers of Light" shine in remembrance during the six-month anniversary of September 11 in New York. For a deeper look into this photograph, please turn to page 4.

New residence halls nearing completion

Michael Vyskocil
Staff Writer

Lack of rain and abundant sunshine this summer helped progress on the construction of North Village, the new student residence halls on campus.

Dr. Ethan Seidel, vice president of administration and finance, said August 27 that two of the buildings would be ready for occupancy as early as next spring, while the entire complex opens for residency September 2003.

Upperclassmen currently housed at Best Western will be among the first occupants of those two buildings of North Village.

As a third building nears completion toward the end of the 2002-2003 academic year, upperclassmen living in college-owned properties on 189-197 Pennsylvania Avenue will also move into North Village, he said.

Seidel's remarks came after Henry Lewis Contractors of Owings Mills, Maryland, gave Seidel and others on the project committee an update on this \$5 million expansion project, which will provide additional housing for resident students.

When completed, North Village will hold approximately 120 beds for campus housing. North Village is the first housing construction project on campus since 1974.

As of Aug. 27, the foundation has been laid for one of the two buildings scheduled for opening next spring. The second and third buildings have their basic "outline" dug, Seidel said.

Construction will continue on both the exterior and interior

throughout the coming fall and winter months, he said.

Elsewhere on campus, work is expected to wrap up by the end of September on the steam line replacement project between Whiteford and Hill Hall.

The upgrade will replace decades-old steam carrier lines, which supply steam for the heating systems of Whiteford and Hill, Seidel said.

The renovation of Baker Memorial Chapel, too, will be completed, as finishing touches are added to the basement offices and seminar rooms for the foreign languages and philosophy departments, he said.

One campus project that has not begun, however, is the intended renovation and repaving of the parking lot behind Harrison house.

According to Seidel, the city of Westminster is experiencing minor delays with a storm drain management system on Uniontown Road. The College must wait until this project is completed before proceeding with the repaving, he said.

Plans have been finalized for the new academic building on campus that will occupy the existing parking lot between Hoover Library and Albert Norman Ward Hall.

The building will be the new home for the psychology, education, graduate affairs office, and the office of the Student Academic Support Services (formerly the Academic Skills Center).

Seidel said the project is expected to cost an estimated \$8 million.

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College is prepared despite faculty changes

Michael Vyskocil
Staff Writer

Despite some summer faculty and administrative changes, McDaniel is staffed and prepared for students during the fall semester, say officials in Academic Affairs.

Provost & Dean of the Faculty Dr. H. Samuel Case and administrative assistants worked hard this summer to fill vacancies created by retirements, resignations, leaves-of-absence and sabbaticals as well as new hires to the College this year.

Although administrators will have to continue the hiring process to fill several vacancies, Academic Affairs reports Case is very pleased with the candidates who have been hired thus far.

Among the new hires approved by Case are Dr. Erika Koch, as instructor of psychology; Bryn Upton, as Jessie Ball DuPont Visiting Scholar in history; and James Corbin, as visiting professor in social work.

The status for Dr. Elizabeth van den Berg was increased from senior lecturer to Assistant Professor of Theatre Arts.

Bethany Brown replaces Dr. Bradley Smith (on leave-of-absence) as assistant professor of psychology.

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tion and answer forum where students and professors can discuss 9/11 and even debate over some of the aspects of the cause of 9/11. It will be held after the 9/11 remembrance being held at Baker Memorial Chapel at 7 p.m. The forum will take place in McDaniel Lounge at 8 p.m.

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Class of 2006 prepares to begin the college experience

MICHAEL VYSKOCIL
Staff Writer

First-year students and parents were out bright and early Thursday morning, August 22 for the start of a new academic year at McDaniel College and the beginning of New Student Orientation 2002.

Vehicles crammed with boxes of clothes, bed linens, and computers descended upon campus. Residence halls Daniel MacLea, Rouzer, and Whiteford were open and ready for occupation.

Members of the ROTC, Christian Fellowship, Sexual Assault Information Team, Peer Mentor team, and a youth group from Grace Lutheran Church helped students and parents move items from vehicles to rooms.

Shonda Wilson, Residence Life Coordinator, said that students and parents arrived later this year than in previous years. Letters mailed this summer encouraged resident students to arrive on campus at 8 a.m. for check-in procedures.

There will be some housing changes at the residence halls this year. "Students can expect to see fewer triples this year than in the past," Wilson said. To accommodate all resident students on campus, Residence Life has added two student Resident Assistants and one Residence Life Coordinator to its staff, she said.

The College Bookstore was another scene of activity on campus, as parents and students arrived clutching class schedules and searching shelves for the necessary books and materials.

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Other leaves-of-absence include Dr. Sherri Hughes, associate professor of psychology; Dr. Robert Kachur, assistant professor of English; and Linda Van Hart, lecturer in art and art history.

On sabbatical for the fall semester only are Dr. Lauren Dundes, assistant professor of sociology; Dr. Linda Eshleman, associate professor of mathematics & computer science; and Dr. Brian Wladkowski, associate professor of chemistry. Dr. Judith Coryell, assistant professor of education, is on sabbatical for the entire 2002-2003 academic year.

Candidates have filled vacancies created by the resignation of Dr. Erin Smith, assistant professor of English, and Dr. Lynn Owens, assistant professor of exercise science & physical education. Elizabeth Leik

joins the English department as assistant professor, while Amy Jo Hauffer becomes assistant professor of exercise science & physical education. Zephia Bryant also replaces Grace Almandrez as Director of Multicultural Services.

Faculty nominated to emeriti status include H. David Neikirk, former Director of Hoover Library; Dr. Howard Orenstein, associate professor of psychology; and Nancy Palmer, senior lecturer in English and former Honors Program Director.

Michele Reid replaces Neikirk as Hoover's director, while Balene Mitscher replaces Palmer as Honors Program Director.

Academic Affairs is still searching for a candidate to replace Dr. Joel Macht, professor of education.

New Faces on the Hill McDaniel Welcomes Class of 2006

KATIE CHAMPTION
Assistant News Editor

Armed with Dave Matthews Band posters and shower shoes, the McDaniel College class of 2006 have become the newest faces on the hill. With 443 members, the largest freshman class in the college's history represents a wide range of talents, ethnicities, and interests and goals.

The average SAT score is 1110 while the most popular academic major is Biology.

While 74% of the freshman class is from Maryland, the class represents 19 other states. They include Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Iowa, Illinois, Massachusetts, Maine, Minnesota, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, Washington and Washington, D.C. This year, the college continues to host students from the Budapest-Hungary campus.

The class of 2006 is more diverse than past classes with 19% of students being minorities.

With about 149 students still undecided in their major, 67 have chosen Biology, 66 Business Administration and 55 are Psychology majors.

This class is the first high school class to graduate post September 11. They represent a new brand of college students, entering a world of uncertainty and change.

"The class actively took part in orientation and supported some new activities," Dean of Students Brian Horneff said. About 40 students volunteered at a warehouse for a Christmas in April project. The students spent the day pruning trees and pulling

weeds along the YMCA nature trail. Over 50 students showed up to make a Walmart run.

"This was far more than we had anticipated or planned for," Horneff said. "But we accommodated and set up extra transportation."

The most popular male name for the class is Matthew with nine members having the first name. For the girls, there are both ten Jennifers and ten Megans. Other popular first names include Andrew, Brian and Christopher for the men while Elizabeth, Laura and Lindsay/Lindsey are frequent among the women.

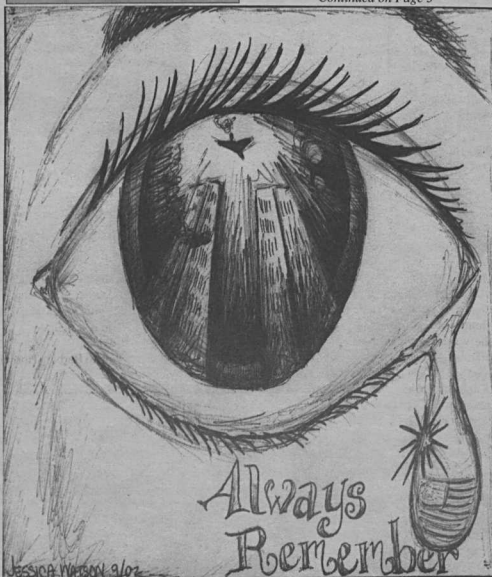
"I feel good about this class," Horneff said. "They are academically ready for the challenges that await them."



The Class of 2006 entering Big Baker for the Introduction Convocation.

Fall 2002 Student Research and Creativity Grants

The deadline for applications for student research grants for Fall, 2002 is September 30, 2002. To apply for an award, a student must have a WMC grade point average of 3.2 and obtain the direct involvement or close sponsorship of a faculty member. The awards are competitive. The grants are intended to encourage special projects that complement students' major academic emphases; they are not intended to cover the normal expenses of a course. The project may or may not be connected with a particular course. It may be a special studies outgrowth of a course. A grant may cover the cost of materials for such projects. It may cover travel expenses to libraries or special collections. These are merely examples; Dean Case would like to see what kinds of creative proposals students may devise, in consultation with appropriate faculty. Grants may range from \$25 to \$500. Applications are available in Dean Case's office.



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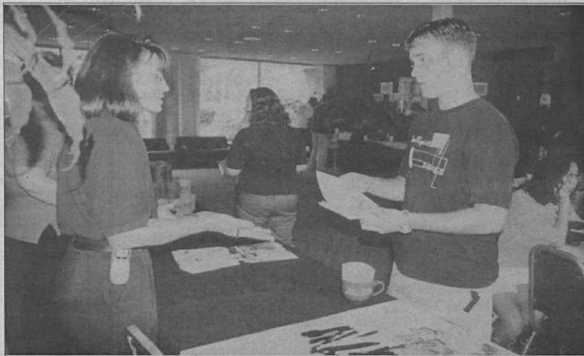
The work being done on campus is part of a "master plan," Seidel said, to respond to the needs of students and faculty.

Also more residences, academic facilities, state-of-the-art fitness and aerobic centers, and parking are on the horizon.

A college campus planning firm from Lititz, Pennsylvania, Derck & Edson, have contracted with McDaniel to evaluate and execute capital and facilities expansion projects on campus.

Derck & Edson have recently contributed their expertise for campus improvement for Lycoming and Elizabethtown College, both located in Pennsylvania.

"They're very experienced in campus renovation plans for colleges like McDaniel," Seidel said.



Freshmen, such as this one, spent most of their first day at college checking in and getting used to a roommate.

Freshmen class ready to meet the challenges of college life

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Book Store manager Kyle Meloche estimated about 250 people walked through the doors just that morning alone.

"It was hectic, but it was fun," he said. Meloche admitted, however, "I just wish we had a fourth register in the store. It would help during a busy session, like this morning."

After a busy morning, new students and families enjoyed their first lunch at McDaniel College in Englar Dining Hall.

Janet Davis, whose daughter Melanie will begin her freshman year, said she is happy and excited about her daughter attending McDaniel.

"I let her make the decision which college she wanted to at-

tend to changes at home.

Residence Life Coordinator Shonda Wilson and several Resident Assistants helped answer questions and calm fears the children had about why their older brothers and sisters were leaving home. Following the discussion, the children put their creativity to work as they designed cards and drew pictures for their siblings to display in their rooms.

"This year, the kids seem to understand what's going on," said Mark Zebrowski, a sophomore Resident Assistant. "We haven't had anyone get really upset."

The first day of orientation was also marked with the traditional Introduction Convocation Ceremony in Baker Memorial Chapel.

never have considered..." President Coley said. "And you will not only succeed, but you will love it."

She further encouraged the new students to take advantage of their college experience at McDaniel. "The education you receive here, the experiences that comprise your learning at this College will give you the body of knowledge you need to interpret successfully the events that shape your world," President Coley said.

Following the presentation of the faculty book and scholarly publications awards by Provost & Dean of the Faculty Dr. H. Samuel Case, the audience joined together in singing the Alma Mater, bearing the newly adopted name,

"McDaniel College," in the second stanza.

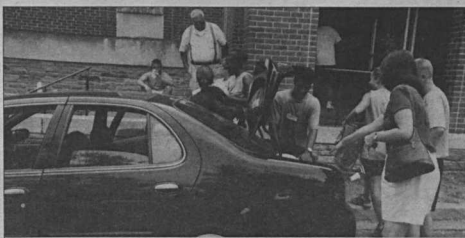
President Coley also greeted students, parents, and families at the President's Reception held at Memorial Plaza.

Each incoming student had the opportunity to ring in the academic year at the commemorative bell in Memorial Plaza.

As the sun began to set over the campus, parents lingered to say a few final good-byes and give their sons and daughters a few words of advice.

According to Barbara Horneff, Associate Dean of the First Year Program, "It was a successful first day."

Horneff added, "I was proud of the team of muscles who helped with the moving. I was happy to hear the comments from parents who didn't seem to mind waiting in cars for 25 minutes during the moving and who said they felt very comfortable leaving their children here."



Thanks to the helpful members of various campus groups, incoming students and their parents had an easier time carrying belongings to rooms.

Parent Paula Dunahoo also said she is proud that her daughter, Michelle Runaldu, will be beginning college.

As she relaxed in Ensor Lounge while Michelle met with her Peer Mentor and orientation group, Dunahoo said she would have to adjust to having her daughter away at college instead of at home. "Michelle is an upbeat personality that I'll miss the most," she said.

But, Dunahoo admitted, "It's a part of life every parent has to go through."

It's also a part of life younger family members must experience as well.

Younger brothers and sisters of first-year students attended a program designed to help them adjust

Family members, faculty, staff, and guests crowded into the newly air-conditioned chapel to witness the Class of 2006 mark their official presence at McDaniel.

McDaniel College President Dr. Joan Develin Coley presided over the ceremony, which represents the formal beginning of the new academic year.

In her welcoming remarks to the audience, President Coley emphasized the benefits of a liberal arts education and explained how McDaniel reflects this philosophy.

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Warehime's presence will be missed

At a time of year when most members of this campus are receiving a welcome back hug, we must unfortunately give a farewell salute to our Campus Safety buddy, Matt Warehime.

On return to campus this year I was disappointed and shocked to see that Warehime would be leaving us behind to become an officer for the Manchester police department.



Donna Hurd

ficers will follow in his footsteps.
A hint for them-try treating us like adults

My first thought was "Who is going to be on our side now?"

One can only hope that the remaining of-

and give us respect and you just may get the same in return. Believe it or not campus safety and students can have a beneficial relationship and Matt is proof.

In my past three years at this college I

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have grown to think of Matt as a friend not just a campus safety officer.

He has offered time to students in the classroom setting as well as fulfilling all the aspects that his job involves.

Last year in my Journalism II class Matt came in to speak to us and stayed past the time he had been allotted, for no other reason except that he cares about students on this campus. Outside of the campus, Matt was still always around and friendly as usual.

He took part in the Lineboro Haunted Hayride along with his sorority many times. There was never a time when we went

and he didn't make us feel welcome. He would go out of his way to make sure he stopped by to say hi to us.

Then surprisingly during a late night Denny's run we ran into Matt when he was off-duty and just out to get a late night snack himself.

Although he was off-duty he didn't walk by us and act like we weren't there but instead he walked over said hi and joked around with us for a while.

I can only imagine what some of the other campus safety officers of this college would have done.

They probably would have talked to us only to see if we were drunk, so they could find some ridiculous way to get us in trouble when we returned.

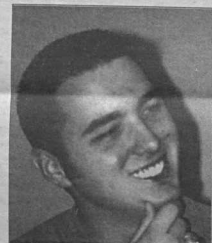
Matt was truly a diamond in the rough and it is unfortunate that he has decided to leave before I graduate.

It is needless to say that without him on our side this last year will be interesting to say the least.

Although I am saddened by the loss, I would like to wish Matt the best of luck in all his pursuits. You'll be missed!

-Donna Hurd is a senior English major.

A single picture speaks a thousand words



Edward K. Schultheis

It is a Saturday night, and here I sit peering over photos that bring tears to my eyes. Endless pages of pictures of days past, trying to find that ONE. Seeking that single photo that speaks more to people than the greatest orator could ever accomplish. It is in this search that I found much more than I bargained for.

Let me explain. I took it upon myself to find the perfect photo to use as this edition's front-page photo.

I did this because this issue was not just any regular issue - the Phoenix would be coming out on the one-year anniversary of the September 11 attacks. This made it important to me personally to find something that people could see and feel in their hearts, something that may have faded over the past year.

So I set out on a quest of scouring newspapers and pictures taken by both professional and amateur photographers to find a perfect picture, one that would ignite the feelings some may forgotten or buried. However, how would I know what is a perfect photo since everyone's definition is different? Since I am not a photography expert, I just followed my own heart.

I checked out websites ranging from Yahoo's photo gallery to the New York Times and everywhere between for two and a half hours.

What did I find? Well to put it simply, I found both photos that made me gasp in horror and ones that made my heart heavy with sorrow.

Among these photos of planes colliding with buildings, and photos that showed crowded masses covered in dust and debris, I found it. A photo that inspired hope. A photo that reminded me of what is good and right. A photo that I knew had to be on the front page.

While I could have chosen a picture that exemplified patriotism, honor, or heroism, I chose one that was much more broad - that let us look to a "bright" future. There was

could imagine the spirits riding the lights onward to heaven; others simply appreciated watching the lights disappear into the abyss. Either way, most people saw the lights as a safe house, a sanctuary they could visit and I am hoping that by using this photo, you too can see the hope that so many people saw.

I know that some people will think that there are other photos that we could have used for the one-year anniversary, and you are right, because there are so many photos that speak such an abundance of words and convey so many feelings - such as three firefighters raising the American Flag over



Ground Zero. It was my feeling that the plain picture of two light towers personified the simplest of human conditions.

I hope that you are able to identify with this picture and I pray that none of us will have to see what we did a year ago - even though it

just something about two towers of light, gleaming towards the sky, never ending that caught my eye. While the "towers of light" were on display in New York for 32 days in March 2002 to commemorate the six-month anniversary, millions of people flocked there to stare up into the sky - to pay their respects to the more than 2000 people who lost their lives on that fateful day. Many said that they

seems longer in our hearts. Knowing that we cannot and should not ever forget the atrocity that occurred last year, we should follow the "towers of light" as it leads into the unknown and not be afraid of the future...but hope.

Edward K. Schultheis is a senior communication major.

An inspiring message to the class of 2006

Around this time last year, I debated as to whether or not I should write a column of advice for the Class of 2005.

At the last second, I decided to go with another (but equally as useless) idea, and look what happened: they changed the school's name.

Sorry about that, folks.

But, in the spirit of "things could always be worse," I have decided not to tempt fate and go ahead with a column of advice for the Class of 2006.

I promise, its just better this way for all of us.

So, Class of 2006, here are a few words of advice that will hopefully make the next four years (or more, for some of us) a little easier, not to mention a whole lot more enjoyable.

Had I known some of the following three years ago, I can only imagine how much smoother the trip would have been.

Alright, so maybe I DID know all this stuff three years ago, and I just chose to ignore it.

Had I known some of the following three years ago, I can only imagine how much smoother the trip would have been.

First piece of advice: take MY word for all the following. Just trying to save you all time).

It might go without saying, and it really should, but some people just do not realize the importance of keeping things clean until they get to college.

Realize it now: the cleaner everything stays, the less trouble you will have down the line. After all, personal health is a priceless thing.

To a similar end, being a college student has NOTHING to do with drinking yourself stupid on the weekend (or, for that matter, the weekdays).

While, in all fairness, a few drinks can be all fun and good, when you get down to it, it is just not what we are here to do.

Think of it this way: no bar has a \$26,000+ cover charge.

Best piece of advice I could give and yet still do not follow myself: get the work done as soon as possible.

Waiting to the last minute really is no way to live, but I expect that you will all give it a shot once or twice...or constantly for the next four years. Still, since it is not to late for you new students to form good study habits, I seriously suggest you hit the books before you get anything else.

Of course, the other side of the last two points is also worth plenty of attention: studying also is not the

ONLY reason we are all here.

For this reason, and as I am sure



Mike Wiles

you have all been told countless times since you arrived on campus, you really should "get involved" on and around campus.

The next four years of your life will fly by so fast, and yet at the same time hold limitless possibilities.

Now is truly the time to feed you interests, since, let's be honest, you will never have quite the same amount of freedom to do so EVER AGAIN. Just another sad truth for all of you, so get involved!

On a related topic, give Greek Life a chance even if you are just a everyone who said they'd never "Go Greek" but then found that it really was for them.

I could buy and sell this whole place (and rename it Western Maryland College, of course).

I was one of these people, and wish I had given Greek life a chance long before I did.

A little advice I have been known to follow all too well: take a walk around campus in the early morning hours at least once in your four years here.

Not only is it a great way to get complex thinking done, but it will probably also be your only chance to share a quiet moment with the campus. Trust me, it is worth the extra effort of getting up early (or of never going to sleep to begin with, as I have been known to do).

That's another thing: "all-nighters" are no fun AT ALL. Avoid them at all costs, and your life will be much easier. The rest, I believe, is up to you all.

While there is much more than I could suggest, part of the college experience is figuring important stuff out for yourself.

I guess the only real personal rule you need to survive college is that you have to make your own rules, and do this whole "college thing" on your own terms.

As hard as that may be along the way, it is certainly worthwhile in the end.

Work hard, play harder, and good luck to everyone embarking on this journey of a lifetime. Make the most of the time you've got.

~Mike Wiles is a senior English major.

Instead of class, just get a keg

Colby Goodrum realizes there is no need for expensive taste.

Remember when you were younger and on the first day of school your teacher would have you talk about what you did over your summer vacation?

Well, I cannot really remember doing this, I have seen this used in some stupid Gain laundry detergent commercial, but I do not really remember participating in this activity.

However, let's just pretend for the next few paragraphs that I am participating.

I spent my summer primarily working as a dishwasher.

I did have a brief hiatus to the White Mountains for five days of hiking, but other than that I was slinging suds in the kitchen.

I was not an ordinary dishwasher in that I did not work in a conventional kitchen, but rather at various sites doing dishes for a catering company.

The bonus of this setup was that

I only had to work three days a week, which for someone who hates to work was a great thing.

The downside was that I usually worked for rich, snobby weddings where there was either a terrible band or some lame DJ playing YMCA (damn those Village People).

The biggest problem with

Get rid of the thirty dollar plated dinners people only eat half of, the five different pieces of silverware, and the fancy folded napkins.

working at weddings is the conflicting emotions between the wedding party and the caterers.

For the wedding party the day is one they will probably remem-

ber for the rest of their lives, they hope it is the only time they'll go through with it, but for me it's the same old thing just a different day.

There is an alternative to these lame, prissy, thinking-your-going-to-a-ball type weddings.

Here's what I would do: fire the DJ and get rid of the wedding cake because the DJs are terrible and no one eats the wedding cake anyway.

With the saved money you could higher a good band that people would at least enjoy.

Get rid of the thirty dollar plated dinners people only eat half of, the five different pieces of silverware, and the fancy folded napkins.

In place of all this frilly garbage get three kegs and have the wedding be pot luck.

I realize this puts me out of a summer job as a catering dishwasher but that is fine with me, as I said, I hate to work.

~Colby Goodrum is a junior English-Philosophy major.

Take a step off the pavement

Tara Dellafranzia addresses problems in society today.

There somewhere exists this great picture of The Beatles sitting on the greenest of lawns, as if having a picnic.

The sign next to them reads KEEP OFF THE GRASS.

I always think about that picture when I'm walking across campus.

I think about the ability that they had to object to two societal rules at once: the banning of pot, and the overuse of silly rules.

It feels great to walk across the grassy areas of the quad, with just the right amount of trees.

If I weren't worried about those insecticide flags that pop up every spring, I'd even go barefoot all over campus.

I used to live my summers in New Jersey; it would feel wonderful again to get the calluses that form as a result of barefooted hippiedom.

And just like the calluses that no longer reappear since my summers have been spent earning money in an office building, I often fear that my necessary cynicism has been quelled by the contentment arising from the joys of being a Senior.

I love this campus: the professors, faculty, and students.

I feel comfortable in being myself, and I don't even feel different or worth more or less than anyone else. In short, I've learned a lot here.

But what about what's on the television and in the newspapers that reach beyond Carroll County? Rarely, kidnapped children will be returned to their parents, and coal miners will be rescued from certain

deaths.

Firemen and police officers will be glorified and criminals ignored. But the reality of bombs in Israel, Ireland, and possibly even Iraq often fill the papers.

I've always been an advocate of world news, and I am glad us Americans are now more aware of the rest of the world (even if we still print maps with North America as the center).

Until I thought about it, though, walking across the grass to my 8:40 when thinking in itself is a miracle,

...the best things about our society are the worst things, too.

the best things about our society are the worst things, too.

Take money. America loves money. I'm proud to have saved money this summer and to hold a campus job. It's our triumph, this wealth, but also our downfall.

Our time is consumed earning and acquiring it, and society rewards that desire.

Children from wholesome families practically grow up parentless now.

If their provocative underwear-style outer fashions are not enough indication, the rise in vacations and familial bonding since September 11th has only proven that we are a blind society.

We will ourselves to spend time and money on and with our families.

Other values seem to come first: Immediate needs for Eminem CDs for little boys and JLo fake-out slutwear for young females have the right to exist and be sold, but par-

ents readily supply the money for such purchases.

These are the same parents that wonder how other people's children grow up that way.

Fantasy writer Robert Jordan says that most good writers have bad childhoods.

I don't think that anyone has a perfect childhood.

In fact, it's more like most good people have admitted to having less than perfect lives, but so many people haven't done that yet.

So many have not yet strummed a guitar, and even less have probably walked to class without touching most pavement.

It's hard to approve of things like pot-smoking, homosexuality, free love, and equality in times like these, where hippie fashion is the rage, while the ideals represented by those threads are dying by the second.

It's hard to admit that some of us must be better parents to our children than our parents were to us.

But for most people it's about taking life and the world and all its issues as the day passes.

I don't have anything against pavement. And sometimes it's all right to knock down a few trees to create a parking lot (goodness knows this campus has to understand that).

If you have to traverse mostly on pavement and concrete, I suggest at least creating a route that covers the Carpe Diem block of the small gazebo.

Maybe that will help you think about other things.

Maybe the next day you'll be walking on the grass.

~Tara Dellafranzia is a senior English major.

New I.D. cards are more trouble than they're worth

As the start of the Fall semester begins in full swing, students young and old groggily make their way to the all too familiar eating environment tagged Glar.

Whipping out respective I.D. cards to be swiped through the oh-so-efficient machines, they are promptly shut down (and so are their

due to some free prize being given out.

No, even the new and improved McDaniel College has no means of handing out favors. Instead, they decided to make even the daily habit of eating a chore with the onset of new identification cards.

Why did you work and your roommate's didn't, nor did the 30 people standing behind him work, you ask? Well, I have a very good explanation for that: there isn't one.

For some odd reason, a random assortment of students had access to Glar during the first week of classes with their old cards. Yet, most of us stood on an hour or longer line to have our pictures retaken while the time flew by and the prospect of having brunch sometime this millennium quickly dwindled.

No matter though, because all students were subjected to the inconvenience at one point or another. This way, those of us still boycotting the name change were forced to carry an I.D. displaying the new name 24/7.

Back to my point. It's all well and good that the school would like us all to have cute little matching yellowish orange I.D.'s as soon as possible.

What isn't cool is the lack of warning

(though not totally out of the norm for this institution).

I for one am not a huge fan of having my lunchtime put on halt so I can stand in a line moving at the speed of negative three.

Not only is the line endless, but after waiting through the entire lunch hour, you also run the risk of the machine breaking down before having the opportunity to say "cheese."

Excuse me for not smiling.

What would have been even more en-

joyable is having some notification sent to my house over the summer, accompanied of course by a tuition bill that still makes my mother gasp.



That being said, if we are trying to be so up with the times here at McDaniel College, why not start with more effective methods of torture? I think you will find that the results are much more positive.

-Erin Romanski



Erin Romanski

cards).

Immediately, the scary realization sinks in that the mile-long line stemming out of what once was a useless coat closet is not

is a junior English major.

Name change leaves a bitter taste for "Western Maryland" students who remain loyal

Tim Mascari discusses the aftermath of name change for students

In the ripple that remains of the controversial WMC name change there still lies the unsettling feeling that the administration isn't happy with its current student population.

Not only is the administration not happy with us, they went as far as to change the name of the college so people like us would stop coming here or at least not be accepted on account of all the top-shelf incoming freshman.

I realize that some could view this as a little farfetched and verging on a bad case of paranoid inferiority, but is it?

One of the main reasons for the name change was because the college wasn't attracting the students they wanted. That means you, and I weren't what they were looking for.

It is not like the admissions department is going to stop accepting applications while the college re-establishes itself footing as the next Swarthmore or Haverford.

We're just here to fill the void and pay the bills; something for the private school brass to observe on their recruiting trips.

Theoretically, the school could just set up a bunch of mannequins around campus depicting normal campus life.

They could have some in Glar, a scene in the library, a mannequin football game with mannequin fans, and a sign for the future.

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ture McDaniel elite reading - "This could be you."

I'm sure if you were to confront President Coley about this very idea (leaving out the mannequins, of course), she would give you a well-prepared, Rush Limbaugh style, manipulation of the English language that would make the name change sound like the best addition to this campus since indoor

plumbing.

And to be honest it probably was, but that doesn't make you have to feel good about it.

Half a decade ago when I walked through that arch I can honestly say I felt welcomed here, but this name change ordeal kind of left a bad taste in my mouth.

Besides the name, another noticeable change that has had a direct effect on campus, and off-campus life, has been the rise of the Department of Campus Safety.

For you freshmen and even sophomores who have received alcohol citations, it wasn't always like this.

It wasn't too long ago that all the DoCS consisted of was an old station wagon and a handful of rent-a-cops who were much more lenient. You could get caught with a beer in the hallway and all they would say would be "get in a room."

Now there zipping around on flashy little bikes, cruising in that Jeep with the lights flashing, writing citations like there going out of style, and riding around with Westminster City police busting parties, in what they self-proclaimed the Party Patrol.

It's not like students of the mid to late

90s were that bad. The administration just decided to change nightlife on campus, partially, I have been told for liability reasons but mainly for appearances.

They no longer wanted to be known as the school that made Playboy Magazines top 100 party schools list.

These changes aren't coincidences, and I'm not saying the direction the administration has chosen to take is wrong, it's great. All I'm saying is that if you're looking for a college with a reasonable amount of nightlife options, transfer. Now.

In the coming years here on the Hill it should be interesting to see our college change from ex-party school WMC filled with binge drinking kids from the Jersey shore, Pennsylv-tucky, and local public schools, to the prestigious, McDaniel College filled with prep-school academia elite.

In some ways we can consider ourselves lucky. Maybe 30 years from now McDaniel College will be a well-known prestigious college that we can brag about having attended.

-Tim Mascari is a senior History major.

Even after complaints parking is a problem on campus

I think we've all been shown through the name change initiative that image is important to our college. Therefore I propose that an important issue is fixed on our campus before we expand in other ways the parking.

You might ask, what does parking have to do with a college's image? Well, in my opinion, it is very important if you think about it. What is one of the first things prospective students must do before taking a tour of the campus and buildings? Well, they must park their cars. Currently, the parking conditions on campus does not bode well for a



Matt Hurff

prospective student's first impression of the place. This is especially true if you look at the parking lot behind the admissions office. It is paved in gravel and full of potholes. In my opinion, it would be great if some funding was used to pave that lot especially if image is important for the college.

Another problem is lack of overall parking. This occurs mainly during the day and the late afternoon when faculty, staff, residents, commuters and graduate students fill the parking lots around campus.

Sure, I personally like to have a spot close to my dorm, but I'm willing to walk a little bit so that is not really my concern.

My concern is that there just is not enough parking when it comes down to it. There was not enough parking last year and instead of adding more over the summer, spots were removed due to construction. I understand that this is inevitable with construction, but it's a good idea to add more spaces elsewhere. It might even my time to build a parking garage on campus-this would limit the overall number of regular spaces needed all over campus, allowing more open fields. Another parking issue events like the wrestling tournament in the spring. For those of you who have not been on campus during

this particular weekend-it is ridiculous. Cars are parked everywhere.

I understand that the college probably brings in a fair amount of money by holding this event along with gaining a decent amount of exposure to the general population, but something needs to be changed about it.

Maybe parking needs to be exclusively set-aside for current students and more tournament spectators need to take a shuttle bus to campus-after all, we do pay tuition to be here. Or, if there was more parking on campus, this might be a moot point to begin with.

-Matt Hurff is a senior English major

With a new name comes a new face: Meet Zephia Bryant

JESSICA WATSON
Features Editor

From the incoming freshman class to faculty and staff, there are several new faces across campus. One of these new faces sits at a desk at the heart of Multicultural Services, and her name is Zephia Bryant.

It all started with an ad placed by this college in the Chronicle for Higher Education and ended with Bryant as the new Director of Multicultural Services.

"It was time for me to consider looking for a directorship within a multicultural office," said Bryant.

She did her undergraduate work at Jacksonville State University, of Jacksonville, Alabama, where she received her degree in Management with a concentration in Human Resources. Then she continued on at Jacksonville and received her Masters in Public Administration with concentration in College Student Personnel.

Bryant was also the Assistant Director of the Center for Multicultural International Student

Services for three years before being promoted to Senior Assistant Director. "I worked with cultural and ethnic student organizations as well as historically black and Latin fraternities and sororities." She was also responsible for the lecture series, leadership development for students and student organizations and diversity training for faculty and staff.

Bryant continues "I had a chance to work with international students [representing 70 countries] which was very nice and rewarding."

She considered three schools in total including this college. "I had a chance to come here, interview, and meet a great bunch of students." Bryant was also present at the Spring 2002 Multicultural Services Leadership Banquet, a program honoring seniors for their leadership and dedication to the variety

of diversity clubs and organizations on campus.



JESSICA WATSON
Zephia Bryant is the new Director of Multicultural Affairs.

"I enjoyed hearing distinguished comments about how much they cared about the college. They left some pretty valuable

things to the office." At this banquet, it is a tradition for the seniors present to leave something behind to the Multicultural Services Office. "It was nice to be able to see how programming was done in this office and then the level of service that is in place for students of color." These attributes really caught her eye and attracted her to McDaniel College.

Bryant has already established some personal goals for her position. "I think what I would like to do is to make this office more visible and to let the students know that the office is not just for students of color, it's for all students on this campus."

While the diversity organizations promote their individual cultures that do not mean they are exclusive.

"A lot of times it's about exposure. I want to be an advocate for diversity and for students of color and to bring some new and excit-

ing programs to the campus, maintaining the tradition of celebrating heritage months and expand how the office markets our events." She is considering creating a website or a newsletter for the office.

She is also looking forward to being able to really accommodate the needs of this freshman class. "This class has 21 percent students of color; the challenge is when you recruit that number of students what you have to do to retain them."

"I want to make sure students feel welcome and utilize the office." The office is in Decker Student Center; it's just right of the Registrar if you are coming from Ensor Lounge, and up a couple flights of stairs (next to Elderidge).

Whenever Bryant is in her office the door is always open to those who want to talk about events, to those who want to discuss experiences, and even to those who just want to pop in and say hi. Bryant assures "Everyone is welcome."

What happens when you apply to Western Maryland Collogo, but when you get here it is McDaniel Collogo?

NICOLE GRIMM
Staff Writer

A student is talking with his friends about where he is going to college in the fall.

He listens to his friends discuss their big-name schools, and he anxiously awaits his turn to talk about his own.

When he finally and proudly tells his friends that he accepted to McDaniel College, they all look at him with blank stares. Many other

students in this year's freshmen class can relate to the blank stares and share in the frustration as they adjust to the name change.

As the freshmen go about their college life, it is hard to shake the name of Western Maryland College. Both on and off campus, remnants of the old name

in 1867 as Western Maryland College." Further down the road, they encountered a large green road sign with directions to "Western Maryland College" on it.

To add to the confusion, in the bookstore, the freshmen can purchase both McDaniel College clothing and Western Maryland College stickers for their car. Freshman Brandon Boring stated, "I do not like the new name. I still call it Western Maryland College."

land College, and what they did know was in many cases a misconception.

There was also always the question on how to refer to the school when discussing it. "It was frustrating," explained freshman Claire Ewing. "With some people, I would tell them that I am going to Western Maryland College, and they would correct me by saying, 'It's McDaniel now.' For others I would tell them I am going to McDaniel College and they would just look confused."

what the school was aiming for when they changed the name to McDaniel.

While many freshmen feel strongly either for or against the name, there are many that fall in between, and really do not care about the name change. There are those who applied to Western Maryland College for the small campus, friendly atmosphere, and the academic reputation, all of which have not changed since their

first visit to the campus.

Freshman Kenny Edwards put it best when he concluded, "With all the confusion around the name Western Maryland College, the misunderstandings about its location and uncertainty with it being affiliated with University of Maryland, the new name will give the school the chance to clearly build its own reputation as a competitive and prestigious college."



JESSICA WATSON

Possibly the most trying part about the new name was explaining how this transformation came to be.

To begin with, not many people knew much about Western Mary-

land College. When the name changed to McDaniel, everyone instantly knew it was a private college," remarked freshman Caroline Speck.

Reactions such as this one were

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Experiencing Orphanage Outreach in the Dominican town of Espereza

RYAN BROD
Staff Writer

This past summer I took the opportunity to get involved with a program called Orphanage Outreach. It includes a trip to an orphanage in the small Dominican town of Esperanza. The week I spent at the orphanage has had a huge impact on my life.

When first presented with the idea of traveling alone to a Spanish speaking country, I was a little hesitant. I learned that you actually live for a week on the grounds of a boys orphanage in the Dominican with the other volunteers from around the world. Your "job" is to help teach English to the orphans and help them better their Spanish reading and counting skills. I was a little intimidated, as my Spanish is very limited. I knew I would have a hard time communicating with the orphans. But I decided that I would contribute in other ways and the trip would definitely be worth my while. To this day I am very grateful that I decided to go.

The orphanage itself is a cluster of houses on a small plot of land. The orphans sleep in a concrete building while the volunteers are divided into two "ramadas." Ramadas are nothing more than bunk beds surrounded by chain linked fencing and covered by a rickety aluminum roof.

The majority of the days are spent with the orphans. Classes start after breakfast and are taught by small groups of volun-

teers. The structure of these classes included singing, playing vocabulary games, writing and reading. Volunteers are responsible for creating their own syllabus for the classes, which can make things challenging.

The orphans are separated by age into small groups and rotate after an allocated time to all of the different volunteer groups. By the end of each day, I have seen most of the kids in the orphanage, including others that come from the nearby town to attend the free classes.

The bonds created with these children are amazing. Each night the volunteers and I would spend time with the kids, reading books and playing various games. Although we both had a language barrier that hindered our conversations, I could tell by their body language that they were thoroughly enjoying our time together.

I would personally recommend this experience for anyone who wants to make a difference in the world. Your eyes will be opened to poverty, pollution, and overpopulation, but you will walk away a changed person. You will gain a better understanding of the world outside of the U.S., and a feeling that you have made a positive impact on the lives of others.

For more information contact me at x8477 or Tom Eklund by email: director@orphanage-outreach.org



These are a couple of the children I worked with while doing this program.



The volunteers and the children pose for the camera.

Theatre News: A new look for upcoming shows

STACI GEORGE
Staff Writer

A new semester has begun and so has a new season at the recently renovated McDaniel College theatre.

Instead of having its summer stock Theatre on the Hill, Alumni Hall instead became home to "renovations on the Hill" this summer. There are a lot of little changes which the public will not notice, said Ira Domser, Director of Theatre, such as the addition of better spotlights in locations where the fans will not be heard and removing non-working organ pipes from their bays.

Additionally, the costume shop was re-modeled and the costume collection reorganized. The green room is no longer that ugly blue shade. Its walls were painted green, the carpet has been removed and replaced by wood floors, and new furnishings have replaced the old.

The concession stand was also remodeled.

"Everything is finished, except the box office," said Domser.

They are making the box office bigger and more visible when entering the building. According to Josh Selzer, Arts Manager, the idea is to have two distinct spaces: the box office and Selzer's office, complete with

more storage space.

"All the new renovations are an improvement, but nothing would be better than a new theatre," said Domser thinking about the future.

Besides finishing the renovations, there is a lot going on right now. The National Players will perform Moliere's comedy about religion, sex, and hypocrisy "Tartuffe" on Saturday, September 14 at 8 p.m.

Work has begun on two original plays. Rehearsals are underway for "Voices: Conversations with Joan of Arc," which Domser wrote and is loosely adapted from Saint Joan by George Bernard Shaw, Mark Twain's Joan of Arc, and The Lark by Jean Anouilh. Its production dates are Thursday, October 3-Sunday the 6th. All shows start at 8 p.m.

The other original play is Techies, a student-written backstage comedy mystery. It will be performed November 20-23 at 8 p.m.

And finally, if staying on campus to take a class or going home to work does not sound that appealing, consider embarking on a cultural tour with an emphasis on theatre in England.

Contact Ira Domser at x 2592 for more information.

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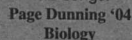
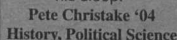
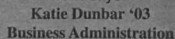
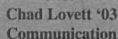
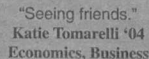
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I am not even going to reveal

While I had seen the previous works of Shyamalan, I did not know exactly what to expect, but the movie was enthralling. It had the director's trademark twists and Gibson gave a great performance

I definitely recommend seeing the movie, and seeing it more than once so you can catch up on anything that you miss during the first viewing. When you leave you will be asking yourself what kind of person you are: Do you see signs? Grade: A-

Compiled by Edward K. Schultheis and Matthew E. Hurff



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Gifted men's soccer squad looking to build upon last season's success

GREG LEDEKER
Sports Editor

It has been a strong start for the McDaniel College Men's soccer team as they are off to a 2-1 start.

Coach John Plevyak's squad is building off a school record 15 win season, and the ingredients are in place for a run at the Centennial Conference crown in 2002.

"Our goal is to win the Conference title," says junior Matt Wolfe.

In their most recent game, the Green Terror exhibited their wealth of talent against non-conference opponent, Lancaster Bible College.

The team scored early and often as they piled up eight goals in the contest and played tough defense to cruise to an 8-0 victory.

The opposition was only able to attempt one shot in the contest as the defense made life easy for freshman goalie Andrew Wu.

Wu is one of many young freshman players on the team this season. While they are inexperienced, the team sees them as an asset.

"We have a lot of freshman, which means that we have to come together as a team and we will get there," said Wolfe.

The team began their season August 31st on the road against non conference foe, Bridgewater College.

The contest was a stalemate as neither team was able to gain an advantage through the regulation time. In the overtime period, Green Terror sophomore forward Thomas Kane ended the tie with the winning goal on an assist from senior Ryan Tetteris. Senior goalie Brent Kahuda had six saves in the overtime victory.

McDaniel looked to pick up another road win the next day against Eastern Mennonite University.

The opposition jumped out of blocks

early as forward Eric Blosser scored two quick goals in the first minute the contest.

The Green Terror would respond with a goal from Kane, but were unable to muster any other offense, falling 2-1. Kahuda kept the team close with five stops on the net in the loss.

Despite the loss, the team is very confident that they will have a strong conference season.

With a mix of strong upperclassman and promising young talent, the Green Terror are looking to cap off their first season as McDaniel College with a championship trophy. Will they top the 15 wins from a year ago? If this mix of outstanding talent is any indicator, then chances are very favorable.

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When it looked to be finally over, McDaniel came up with a miraculous comeback fueled by a costly 15 yard roughing the passer penalty on the Eagles.

The team was able to attempt a last second field goal but unfortunately, the snap was high and with the play blown the holder found Jason Hartman alone on the right side of the field but he was pushed out of bounds at the 17 yard line as the clock expired. Despite the heart-breaking defeat, the Green Terror came out of the game with many positives, including the realization that they can play with anybody in the nation.

"We should won that game," said senior running back Jewel Johnson. "We just can't have turnovers and mental breakdowns."

The team begins their road towards a sixth consecutive Centennial conference championship on the road against Susquehanna College.

Green Terror cross country runs off to a strong start in early season invitational

GREG LEDEKER
Sports Editor

The McDaniel College cross country team has started their season with many new faces.

The graduation of standout runners Jill Krebs and Diana Pool on the women's side and the addition of many new freshman on the men's side has changed the teams a fair amount, but they still have many talented runners capable of making the season successful in 2002.

What the men's team lacks in experience, they expect to offset with talent. They believe that their five freshman are good for the future of the program.

"We have a good number of freshmen and with the returning players we have coming back this year, we should better than in past years," said freshman Paul Hugus.

Most recently, the team competed at the Shepherd Invitational.

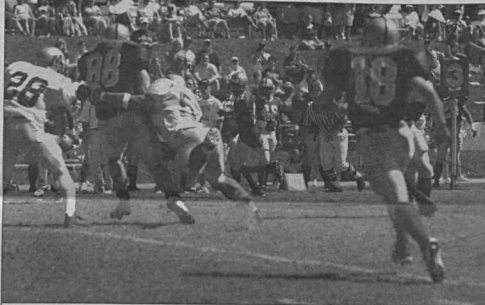
The Women's team finished third out of 14 schools at the race, and were led by junior Jen Pullen's 4th place finish with a time of 20:55.

Following Pullen, was senior Holly Thompson in 21st place and freshman Natasha Young in 28th place with times of 23:11 and 23:29 respectively.

On the Men's side, the team finished sixth out of the 16 schools and were paced by freshman Paul Hugus's 18th place finish with a time of 29:23. He was later followed by freshman teammates Gary Markle and Matt Jackson.

"With the top three on our team all being freshman, I think that it gives us a solid base for the future of the program," said freshman Gary Markle.

Both squads compete next at home team in the Green Terror XC Challenge on September 14th.



Green Terror senior linebacker Matt Wilchinski attacks the enemy defender. Wilchinski had 14.5 tackles against Bridgewater College in a losing effort.

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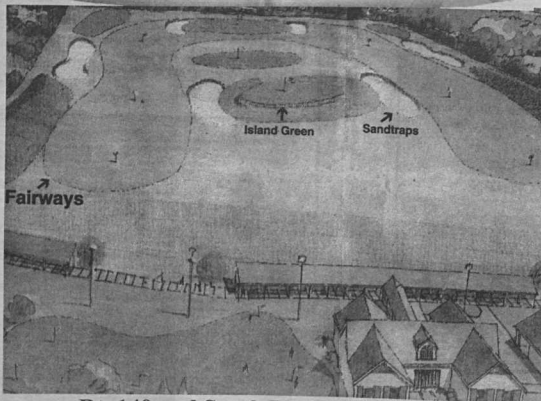
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Iverson's value goes far beyond the court

John Monroe outlines the value of the trouble-ridden 76ers star

While rival Nike uses the fitness, laid-back, blue-collared style of Michael Jordan to generate brand loyalty and prestige, Reebok International Ltd. uses Allen Iverson's cornrow hairstyle, tattoos and "hip-hop" image to sell its sneakers, which is not a bad thing at all.

Money makes the world go around. Why try to portray a false image just to bring in money for a company when being you is just as acceptable and is rather commendable?

Even now, the #2 athletic shoe-maker might benefit from his "rap sheet."

Police issued warrants for the arrest of the 76ers' star point guard, who is accused of bursting into a man's Cobbs Creek apartment with a gun in his waistband in search of his wife, Tawanna.

While negative publicity from the case would disable the marketing power of some professional athletes, it probably will bolster sales of Iverson's clothing and shoe lines with Reebok.

Allen has already helped turn around a flagging company. Iverson received his contract when other NBA superstars were failing to boost sales, even the colossal

Shaquille O'Neal's retail sales were down.

Since inking a 10-year deal (worth \$48 million) with "AI" in 1996, Reebok has reversed its slide in the \$13.6 billion market for brand-name athletic shoes thanks to strong sales of Iverson's "The Answer" shoe brand and his presence as the cornerstone of its "Rbk" collection.

The Canton, Mass. manufacturer has a lot invested in Allen, the 2001 National Basketball Association's Most Valuable Player, because they converted his contract to a lifetime agreement in November.

Did you know that roughly \$150 million (5 percent of Reebok's sales in 2001) was tied to Allen Iverson shoes and clothing? He's more important to Reebok than Michael Jordan is to Nike.

Allen was recently accused and charged with a misdemeanor of making terroristic threats but the status of a final verdict is currently pending.

Meanwhile, Reebok rakes in another \$150 million in light of their highly touted asset being under fire for arraignment on a possibly severe indictment.

Hopefully, all will go well. We'll keep you posted.

Women's soccer looks to get back on track in 2002 campaign

GREG LEDERER
Sports Editor

The McDaniel College women's soccer team enters their 2002 campaign with optimism for a strong season.

Following a disappointing 8-10 season marred by injuries and inexperience, the team lost only one senior and returns with all of their main contributors from a year ago.

The team began the season with a non-conference road match against Eastern Mennonite University.

Points were hard to come by in the first half as both team played tight defense, but the opposition was able to strike first with a late goal at the 4:40 mark to take a 1-0 lead at the half.

Unfortunately for McDaniel, Eastern Mennonite took control in the second half with three goals in route to a 4-1 victory. The Green Terror's lone goal on the day was scored by freshman Samantha Smith on a pass from sophomore Brooke Weimer.

The Green Terror looked to get back on the winning track on September 1 against another non-conference foe, Bridgewater College.

The opposition struck first in the first half, but McDaniel responded with a goal from Weimer on a pass from sophomore Dawn Fletcher to tie the game at halftime at 1-1.

The second half saw dominance from the Green Terror as they kept Bridgewater away from their goal and picked up a goal

from Fletcher to secure their first win of the season by a 2-1 count.

The team continued their strong defensive play on September 5 on the road against Villa Julie College.

The game was a defensive stalemate throughout, as both teams failed to score in the first half. In the second stanza, the Green Terror picked up goals from sophomores Laura Cavey and Niki Lepson and used smothering defense to take a 2-0 shutout. Fletcher picked up her second assist off the season on the Cavey score.

McDaniel faced their toughest challenge of the early season on September 7 against ranked foe, Mary Washington.

In the home opener, the Green Terror struck first with an early goal at the 17:57 mark from Lepson on Fletcher's third assist of the season, but the opposition followed with a score ten minutes later to tie the game at 1-1.

The score remained tied into the second half until Mary Washington's Jill Palmieri snuck the ball past Green Terror junior goalie Candice Kuligowski for the go ahead score as McDaniel suffered a slim 2-1 defeat. Kuligowski had four saves in a losing effort.

The team has heard criticism for their lack of scoring last season and it has continued into the 2002 campaign. The team is optimistic that they can find a way to solve the problems

"We are improving on it," said

Weimer. "We controlled the half of the Mary Washington game, but we just need to take more shots on the goal."

While the Green Terror are not scoring a considerable amount of points, it has been their defense that has carried the team and they look to have a great season in conference play.

Green Terror Sports Schedule

Football

@ Susquehanna
September 14th, 1 pm

Men's soccer

@ Villa Julie
September 11th, 4pm

Women's soccer

@ Goucher College
September 11th, 4:30pm

Field Hockey

@ Notre Dame
September 11th, 4:30pm

Cross Country

Green Terror Challenge
September 14th, 10:30am

Volleyball

@ Elizabethtown College
September 11th, 7pm

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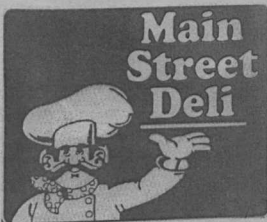
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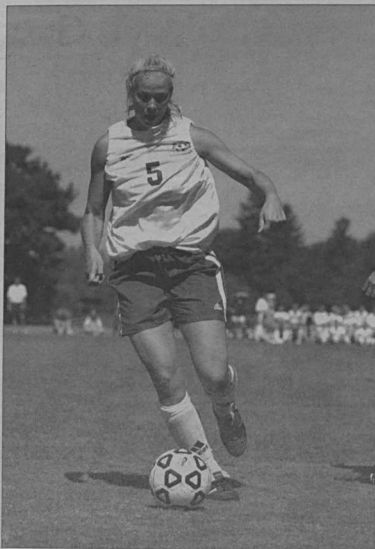
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Senior forward Melissa Merson controls the ball for the Green Terror women's soccer team.

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Turnovers cost Green Terror in heartbreaking loss to Bridgewater

GREG LEDERER

Sports Editor

In the game of football, turnovers can make or break a team. Unfortunately for the McDaniel College football team, they came up short in the turnover department and lost a heartbreaker to nationally ranked Bridgewater College 23-20. The team's five turnovers overshadowed a tremendous performance in their season opener.

Senior quarterback John Luster had a big day by completing 21 of 35 passes for 357 yards, including three touchdowns.

His favorite target on the day was senior wide receiver Joe Ellis who caught 9 balls for 178

yards and two touchdowns, although Ellis was not alone, with eight other receivers catching passes. The Green Terror were not fazed by the national runner up of last season, but was eager to see how the matched up and end Bridgewater's two game advantage in the series.

The start of the game saw defense take the center stage as McDaniel drove the ball right up field on their opening drive, but turned it over on a fumble by junior fullback Jason Hartman. Bridgewater moved the ball down the field but the Green Terror de-

fense forced a turnover of their own when Robbie Jenkins's pass was picked off by the Terror secondary in McDaniel territory.

Bridgewater struck first in the contest with a field goal to take a 3-0 lead, but the Green Terror responded quickly when Luster found freshman wide receiver Kyle Myers on a 31 yard touchdown strike to take the lead.

"It felt great to score the touchdown," said Myers. "We ran that play in practice and Joe (Ellis) was always open so when I looked up and saw the middle wide open I just ran to it."

After missing the extra point, the offense, beaming with confidence came right back and scored again when Luster found senior split end Tom Browne on a 15 yard score in the back of the end zone to take a 13-3 lead into halftime.

As most good teams do, Bridgewater didn't quit and hit a field goal to cut the lead to seven, but the Green Terror marched the ball down the field again and were looking to cash in on another touchdown before another costly mistake provided the Eagles a boost.

With the ball on Eagle 10-yard

line, Luster was taken out for backup sophomore quarterback Orion Canine who ran a sweep around the left side and was inches from the end zone until an Eagle defender popped the ball from his arms and gained possession of it.

Bridgewater escaped another McDaniel touchdown and later their special teams set up one of their own when they blocked a punt deep in Green Terror territory. McDaniel's defense was very stingy and almost stopped the Eagle offense before they finally converted on a fourth down and inches on the 1 yard line.

"We really shot ourselves in the foot with turnovers," said Myers.

Bridgewater would take the lead again with a field goal before Luster and the offense came right back when the senior quarterback found Ellis on a long 56 yard touchdown pass right down the middle of field. Holding on to a 20-16 lead, the Green Terror defense, led by senior linebacker Matt Wilchinski's 14 and a half tackles on the day, tried to hold for the last few minutes of the fourth quarter.

The Eagles offense maneuvered down the field until reaching the 10-yard line where the defense remained stout again and forced another fourth down attempt. With 36 seconds on the clock, Jenkins found wide receiver Andre Jones on a slant pattern to the inside for a 6 yard touchdown to take the lead

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Junior Kim Camponelli moves the ball downfield past an opposing player.

Camponelli leads the offensive charge

A solid foundation returns to lead charge

KATIE MARTIN

Phoenix Staff

With a new addition to the coaching staff, a strong team of 28 girls, and three wins already this season, the Green Terror field hockey team is off to a rolling start.

Head Coach Mindy McCord and Assistant coaches Laura Emery and Larry Grimes were joined this fall by Muffie Bliss, a 2002 graduate of Goucher College. While at Goucher, Coach Bliss was a standout on both the field hockey and lacrosse fields, while earning a degrees in English and Communications. When asked to comment on her outlook for the season, she said "the team is very promising and has all the capabilities of being the Centennial Conference Champions."

The new coaching staff was able to keep a large, strong, and talented team from the 38 girls that participated in August. The 17 returning players are senior Susan Rohrer, juniors Becky Arnold, Kim Camponelli, Jen Fegley, Jessica Stewart, Katie Stoner, Kristin Talarovich, Sara Thomas, Jessica Zimmerman, and sophomores Laura Ford, Clara Hollingsworth, Sarah LeBarron, Erin Lucas, Heather Nichols, Marcie Parke, Kristin Ramsey, and Heather Roberts. According to freshman Melanie Thompson, "the combination of solid experience and fresh talent will give (the field hockey team) a good base" to begin the 2002 season.

The strength of the team and efficiency of the coaching staff are already evident through the team's victory over Susquehanna University in their season opener on August 31, and subsequent victories over Hood College and Goucher College last week.

The Green Terror crumbled the Crusaders 2-1 in the season opener, with Kim Camponelli scoring both goals and Clara Hollingsworth adding an assist while goalie Becky Arnold recorded 11 saves.

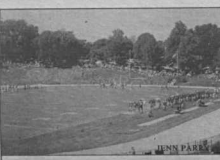
In their second home game, the Green Terror beat the Blazers 9-0, outshooting them 44-0. Camponelli again recorded two goals, as did Sara Thomas and Th-

"...the team is very promising and has all the capabilities of being the Centennial Conference Champions."

-Coach Bliss

ompson. Laura Ford, Lindsay Ricks, and Toni Stambaugh each added a goal. On the road last Thursday, the Green Terror recorded another shutout as they galvanized the Gophers 7-0.

The defense shined, as did goalies Arnold and Marcie Parke. Camponelli recorded a hat trick, Kristin Talarovich had two goals, and Katie Stoner and Susan Rohrer each added one. The next home game for Green Terror fans will be on September 14 against Elizabethtown College.



A packed house. Scott S. Bair was teeming with excitement in the heartbreaking loss.



Green Terror quarterback John Luster scans the field for the open receiver behind the blocking of the offensive line. Luster threw three touchdown passes in the team's loss to Bridgewater College.



Delayed steam line construction project causes problems for McDaniel students

KATIE CHAMPTION
Assistant News Editor

The steam pipeline, McDaniel College's construction project is tying up the east side of campus. However, the end is in sight.

According to Dr. Ethan Seidel, Vice President of Administration and Finance, the construction will be completed over the next two weeks.

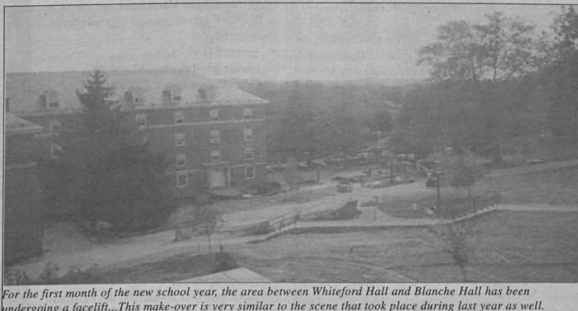
The \$500,000 project that began in June was slated to be completed by the beginning of the school year. However, as crews began work, they realized the project was more complex than thought.

The steam line problem was discovered about 20 years ago.

"We knew the structure was getting old," Dr. Ethan Seidel, vice president of administration and finance said. "Fortunately, in that time we have had a lot of building projects that have allowed us to replace the lines instead of waking up one day and having to do it all at once."

The steam, produced in a plant located on Union Street travels along a pipeline to the campus. Once on campus, the lines branch off and channel the steam to various buildings.

At the start of the summer, Whiteford Hall and Decker Center were the only two remaining branches to have pipes replaced. The problem escalated last year when steam began rising from the ground near the southeast corner of Whiteford Hall. This was caused



For the first month of the new school year, the area between Whiteford Hall and Blanche Hall has been undergoing a facelift...This make-over is very similar to the scene that took place during last year as well.

by a leak in the pipeline according to Seidel.

As crews discovered that the project would be more complex than anticipated, new plans were drafted. Now, all lines have been replaced and a completely new route has been completed, abandoning the old line.

Saturday, the internal phase of the project commenced at 10 p.m. when the steam was turned off in the section. The steam remained off until 6 a.m. while crews from Green Construction Co., made the final connections to the new pipeline system.

"Even though there will be enough hot water for residents, we're hoping that no one will be hoping to shower around 4 a.m. [on Sunday]," Seidel said. "The boilers in the basement will provide hot

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ROTC cadets build skills through fun training exercises

KERRI FISHER
Staff Writer

On Saturday, September 14, the Green Terror Battalion, consisting of approximately 30 cadets from Mount Saint Mary's College, and 55 cadets from McDaniel College participated in the first ROTC lab day.

This all day training event beginning at 8:00 a.m., and ending at 4:30 p.m., consisted of several training stations located throughout the McDaniel campus.

In lieu of the traditional weekly labs ROTC conducts every Thursday, the Cadre (ROTC faculty) is now implementing a more comprehensive lab day that will occur one Saturday per semester, in addition to a regular lab day one Thursday per month.

The purpose of lab day is to provide training in areas such as squad tactics, first aid, mission planning and execution, drill and ceremony procedures, movement techniques, and the execution of an attack by a squad. These are all areas that require practice outside of the classroom. The first half of the day was devoted to learning different tactics, whereas, in the second half, the cadets were assigned a specific mission to complete.

Cadet Joe Miller, McDaniel Cadet Battalion Commander, said that lab day "increases the quality of training," and provides the cadets with a "well-prepared, well-rehearsed lab that will equal a more effective training session."

According to the Army ROTC press release concerning the event, "The object is to allow cadets to learn in an environment outside the classroom, where training can be valuable, interesting, and fun." Additionally, "The training event will enable the new cadets to begin building their skills as students and leaders and will permit the returning cadets to further advance their knowledge and capabilities."

The groups visiting each training station were broken down by class. The MSIs, otherwise known as the freshmen, were split into two groups.

The sophomores, MSIs, and the juniors, MSIIIs, were combined into a larger group. The MSIVs, the senior cadets, assisted the Cadre in instructing groups in each of the designated training stations.

Although it was interesting to see the cadets learn skills such as land navigation and movement techniques in a squad, one of the highlights was when 2nd Lieutenant Forney instructed his group of MSIIIs to jump in a pile of dirt after they seemed resistant to the idea of getting down and dirty. However, the cadets understood that it was a motivational exercise, and all in good fun.

During one specific drill, the cadets were learning how to survive if caught under fire. One of the tactics, called a low crawl, demanded that the cadets drag themselves

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Cartoonist Hector Cantu headlines McDaniel's Hispanic Heritage Month activities

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News Editor

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Staff Writer

This month at McDaniel College, Hispanic heritage month is taking place to broaden awareness about the Hispanic culture.

During the month, several activities will be going on to promote a better understanding of Hispanic culture and society. On September 19, Hector Cantu, an award winning journalist and cartoonist came to McDaniel College to speak during Hispanic Heritage month.

Hector Cantu was born in Texas and graduated from the University of Texas-Austin where he earned a degree in journalism.

Growing up in a small Texas town, Cantu described himself as an, "average kid." From an early age, he loved to read comic strips. At the tender age of 12, Cantu published his first political cartoon. His successful career as a cartoonist would grow into greater heights.

Cantu explains how MAD magazine played a big role in his desire to become a journalist. The magazine helped to manifest his skills as a cartoonist and journalist. His Hispanic heritage allowed him to create the popular comic strip Baldo. After a phone conver-

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Award-winning journalist/cartoonist visits McDaniel during Hispanic heritage month.



Check out a piece of his famous comic strip, "Baldo," on page 9

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A hard work-ethic has led the McDaniel College Women's Soccer team to a 5-3 record thus far.

Cadets learn basic skills for military training

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across the ground, remaining perfectly flat, keeping their face in contact with the ground. Needless to say, there were some cadets who found this task somewhat difficult. However, leaders such as Forney, and MSIV Cadet Greg Elko pushed them forward, never letting their inhibitions take control of them.

"Everyone should leave here today feeling like a better person," says Forney, as he encourages the cadets to do their best.

When asked how the day's events were progressing, Captain Torres remarked, "things are going great."

Additionally, Elko reiterated that the cadets are "learning a lot," adding, "It is good to learn all of this before the FTX so that they will do better there." The FTX is an ROTC field-training event held once a semester.

One of the only reservations about conducting an extending lab day is that it falls on a Saturday, a day students typically like to relax.

"They may not want to do it on Saturdays," said Corporal Bennett. However, since it is only one Saturday a semester, the complaints are not expected to exceed the fun and experience gained.

The long day of navigating, crawling, grenade throwing, and several other hands-on activities ended with a cookout and recreational activities. MSIII Cadet, Mark Denis said the day "was the single greatest block of instruction since I've been in the ROTC program."

Cantu's comic strip identifies the Hispanic community in a positive light, rather than stereotypical portrayals

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sation in 1999 with Carlos Castellanos, co-creator of Baldo, the comic strip became a reality in 2000 when the comic strip became launched nationwide by Universal Press Syndicate.

Baldo became the first comic strip picked up by the company featuring Hispanic characters and themes. Cantu explains that he wanted to create a cartoon that portrayed the Hispanic family, but not including any stereotypical portrayals.

The comic strip is about Baldo, a young Hispanic teenager and his struggle with adolescence. Baldo deals with issues that most teens encounter ranging from relationships to sports.

Currently, Cantu is currently an assistant features editor at the Dallas Morning News.

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Latest news from the SGA

KATIE CHAMPION
Assistant News Editor

The SGA has started the school year off with a bang, already deep in planning for retreats, Homecoming and many other events. Campus life concerns are already being addressed and new members are learning the ropes.

During it's weekly meeting on Tuesday, September 17, 2002, Jamin Bartolomeo, SGA president, swore in five new members to the SGA. For the freshman class, Laura Thierer was sworn in as president and Caroline Speck and Elizabeth Woodford as representatives of the class of 2006. Tom Marshall became the president of the class of 2004 and Brian Martiniza was sworn in as the junior class' newest representative.

Treasury Report:

Specs: \$1155.73

Leadership Training: \$3,450.94

General Operations: \$2,085.08

Student Clubs & Organizations:

\$23,000.00

Winter Weekend: \$9,000.00

Interviews for allocations were held on Sunday, September 22, from 3 - 7 p.m. and on September 23, from 3 - 5 p.m. All campus groups that wished to be considered for funding must have an appointment for an interview by the SGA. This year there were 38 groups applying for allocations. The SGA set aside \$23,000 for student clubs and organizations.

On September 27 and 29, the SGA will participate in a retreat at a state park in Port Deposit, MD. There, they will participate in leadership activities and work with SGA members from other colleges.

Homecoming preparations are in full swing. Activities this year will include a bonfire, parade through Main Street and a band party on the tennis courts.

The Alumni Affairs office has increased the prize for the best homecoming float by \$100 to make this year's award \$400 to the group or organization that wins this event. For information about entering your group, contact the Alumni Affairs office or Student Activities.

What's Your Beef?

Students voice their concerns to the SGA. Flies and ants are a problem on campus. McDaniel Hall is facing an ant infestation problem this year with many students complaining that the ants have gotten into their computers. Outside exterminators have come about once a week since residents moved in. Flies seem to be swarming all over the campus, both outside and in buildings. Screens and/or fly traps may be a future solution.

Lack of ventilation in the weight room. Many athletes have complained about the lack of ventilation in the weights room, especially the cardiovascular room.

Glar Staff. Students have noticed that lines in Glar have gotten longer, and tempers of staff workers have gotten shorter. Workers have been spotted complaining to each other and slow service also seems to be a problem.

The new recycling program implemented this year by the SGA seems to be working well.

Parking remains a problem on campus and many are questioning why permits are sold when there are not enough spaces.

Red Square. The grass in Red Square has gotten long and the area has not been kept up as nice as in the past.

The Academic committee is working on increasing the size of the diploma and possibly having the writing in Latin. A Blar

check is another issue up for debate. This would allow advisors to run a check for the student's junior year telling them the number of classes completed and Blars and/or classes needed for graduation.

The Campus Life committee is working on an ashtray project with Residence Life. Ashtrays will be placed outside of various campus buildings where cigarette butts litter the ground.

The Events committee is in the planning stages for Homecoming events.

SGA meetings are open to all students with concerns and are held on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. in Hill 104.



Freshman class president Laura Thierer, representative Elizabeth Woodford and representative Caroline Speck have high hopes for the upcoming school year.



President Tom Marshall and representative Brian Martiniza are the newest SGA members for the class of 2004.

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Steam-line construction more complex than anticipated

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water up until about that time." While freshmen are experiencing the construction for the first time, to many upperclassmen, the scene is all too familiar. Most remember last year's sidewalk re-ramping.

As a second year resident of Blanche, junior Dan Pickett is fed up with the mess. "It's inconvenient," Dan said. "I have to walk around Hill to go to Decker. I don't understand why they didn't take time to do this last year when everything was torn up to begin with."

Many complain that the sidewalk poses a safety hazard to students. At night the plastic construction fences get torn down exposing

ing steel plates and open holes.

On Saturday, crews had 17 men on the site. The external phase of the project is expected to be completed within the next two weeks.



A familiar scene in construction equipment and dirt make the sidewalk between Whiteford and Blanche Halls impassible.

Have any ideas for future news stories... Are there any stories that are important to you? Call x 8600 and leave ideas for the Phoenix.

Baltimore O's favorite Mike Bordick sets new baseball record

RYAN BROD

Staff Writer

Oriole veteran Mike Bordick quickly made baseball history Friday night in Baltimore. The 37-year-old Maine native completed his 102 straight game at shortstop without committing an error, passing the major league mark set by Rey Ordóñez.

This phenomenal achievement, though, was placed on the back burner of sports news, behind Sunday's NFL scores and baseball pennant races. Bordick's amazing record deserves much more recognition than it has received.

In front of 32,648 at Camden Yards, myself included, Bordick played flawlessly. He made a difficult catch on a high, tailing pop-up, and made a tough play on a sinking line drive. He even kept his cool when Boston's Jason Varitek shattered his bat in the ninth inning.

The splintered bat, close behind the ball, headed towards shortstop and raised a simultaneous gasp among the educated fans that were aware of the record at stake. Bordick smoothly avoided the lumber, fielded the grounder cleanly, and threw accurately to first base to retire the Boston catcher. The crowd, much relieved, cheered.

In the bottom of the inning, with Bordick scheduled to hit first, the PA announcer interrupted play to make the announcement that the new record was official. After a standing ovation from the crowd, Bordick walked proudly to the top step for a curtain call.

What's the significance of the record, you might ask? For starters, Bordick plays at the busiest position on the baseball field. Shortstops are involved in many plays throughout the course of nine innings, giving them many chances to make an error. Bordick, the Ori-

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McDaniel extends relations with Main Street community

MATTHEW E. HURFF

Co-Editor-in-Chief

Almost a year ago, prompted by a flurry of complaints by residents on Pennsylvania Ave. and Main St., Vice President and Dean of Student Affairs, Philip Sayre, addressed the campus through a letter about being more considerate to the neighborhood surrounding the college.

Director of Campus Safety Mike Webster said that the complaints filed included, vandalism of decorative items on porches, public urination and loud parties in the neighborhood.

This year, Sayre once again addressed the campus with a similar letter, leaving the questions, what has been done to improve relations and are they in fact improved?

Sayre said that after sending out the letter to the campus last September, problems continued to occur, so he and the Director of Campus Safety Mike Webster were asked to attend several meetings with the Mayor of Westminster, Kevin Dayhoff, along with members of the City Council and the Chief of Police Maj. Roger Jonekis.

At the meetings it was decided that Campus Safety officers should help patrol areas around the campus in "joint patrols" with the Westminster Police Department on weekend nights when most of the complaints would occur.

"The joint patrols as well as educational efforts to make students think about their civic responsibilities when they are downtown," Sayre said.

Webster added, "DoCS is working with the Police to ensure students engaging in activity that violates the student code of conduct are held accountable under the laws of Maryland, the ordinances of Westminster, and the College Proscriptions on Conduct."

Sayre and Webster both feel the joint patrols have been somewhat

effective. While complaints are still made, they are far less frequent than a year ago.

According to Webster, during this academic year there have been two student alcohol related citations thus far off campus-one on Ward Ave. and the other on Pennsylvania Ave.

Another method the College plans on using to help relations with the community involves the release from on-campus residency.

"We will carefully review requests for release from residency to make sure that those students who move off campus in the junior or senior year are going to be positive representatives of the College in the community," Sayre said.

Sayre added that the college plans of continuing the enforcement of college policy in the surrounding neighborhood. "I hope that students will cooperate and that everyone will benefit from good relations with the neighbors," he said.



The Main Street community is an important part of the McDaniel College community - and thanks to the Westminster Police and the Department of Campus Safety, the healthy relationship will continue to last.

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Bordick sets the mark for defensive excellence, but gets little praise from peers

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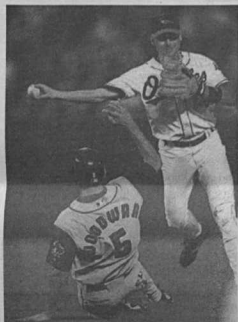
oles everyday shortstop, committed his only error of the season in early April. By comparison, all-star shortstop Nomar Garciaparra has committed twenty-four.

Each year, Gold Glove awards are given to the best defensive player at each position. Bordick would be the obvious choice this year, but the voting rarely goes by numbers alone.

Well-known Cleveland shortstop Omar Visquel won the award last year, even though his numbers were less impressive than those of Bordick. Hopefully the voting will fairly give Bordick, in possibly the last season of his career, the well-deserved award.

The record will never compare to the excitement of the McGwire/Sosa home run entourage in '98.

It will never overshadow Ripken's "streak," or be discussed in the same sentence as DiMaggio's 56-game hitting streak. But Bordick's determination and flawless defensive play, night after night for a non-contending team is truly remarkable.



During Bordick's record setting streak he has to deal with a plethora of opposition - in this case, the Toronto Blue Jay's shortstop Chris Woodward sliding into second base.

"Baldo" creator's presence on campus attracts diverse audience

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Although he seemed rather shy in person, Cantu has gained quite a lot of recognition. He is nationally known for his comic strip, an award-winning journalist and an expert on the U.S. Hispanic market. "Baldo" appears in 150 U.S. daily and Sunday newspapers and is said to be the fourth most successful cartoon launch for Universal Press Syndicate.

The topic of his speech was "Latino Images in Pop Culture: From Banditos to Chihuahuas." He gave a brief history about the portrayal of Latinos in comic strips, where they are commonly represented in a negative light.

The comics overflowed with stereotypes regarding the appearance and character of Latinos.

These images ranged from Speedy Gonzales, with his big Mexican hat to images of Latinos presented as thugs.

In the comic strip "Baldo," Cantu and co-creator Carlitos Castellanos tries to rid the media of the stereotypical representations of Latinos.

The strip is about an average boy, Baldo, trying to get through his teenage years and just happens to be Latino.

The people in Baldo's life are his father, Mr. Bermudez, his sister, Gracie, and his aunt, Tia Carmen. It is not intended to be a political cartoon; it's just supposed to show an average Latin American family without stereotypes.

Cantu's presence on campus attracted a very diverse audience, many whom put aside school-related tasks to learn about Hispanic culture and go behind the scenes of the creation of "Baldo."

"I never really heard of a Latino comic strip before, so I was kind of curious about that," said Melanie Gamarra. "And I am also into cartoons, so that's another reason why this presentation interested me."

Gamarra is a member of the Hispanic/Latino Alliance and aided in the promotion of this event.

"What I really enjoyed was when he spoke on how he came up with the charac-

ters of 'Baldo.' It took two to three sketches and different variations.

That just goes to show you that the best things take time, and you can't always come up with a character on the first try."

Cristinah Fadahunsi also attended this event out of curiosity. "I enjoyed his presentation," said Fadahunsi.

"When he was talking, it didn't really seem like he was a nationally known cartoonist. It seemed as if he was an ordinary person discussing the issues and his experiences."

She also admired his personality. "It just goes to show you that if you work hard for something you can achieve anything."

Jessica Wright, another fellow student in attendance, learned a lot from Cantu's presentation.

"I learned a variety of hispanic words and slang terms, as well as the importance of having a comic strip that's influenced by a culture that isn't prevalent in the media."

With Cantu's popularity, the Hispanic comic strip is making new breakthroughs in the media.

The first "Baldo" book, "The Lower You Ride, The Cooler You Are" was just recently published in 2001 and is available for the public.

They are also working on a cartoon version too, which will first appear on Spanish channels.

Gamarra adds "One question that I asked Cantu was where the characters in his comic strip are from, because it never really specifies."

He gave a good answer; he told me that they shouldn't be characterized by where they are from. Nobody ever asks where 'Garfield' is from."

The importance of "Baldo" is that it shows positive images of Latinos. The strip sends out a message to kids to be proud of themselves and their Latin culture.

Latinos can now open their newspapers and view images of themselves in an encouraging way.

The characters of "Baldo":

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Above, the main character "Baldo," is an adolescent teen that faces challenges of everyday teenage life.



Above, is Gracie, the jubilant little sister of Baldo.



Above, Dad, the father of Baldo that instills knowledge to his son.

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Diagnosis: better health services needed

From the "Why do we put up with this?" file, I present a problem that many of you, I am sure, can relate to.

For the fifth morning in a row, you wake up feeling sick, so you decide it is probably a good idea to seek medical attention. To do this,



Mike Wiles

you work your way over to Smith House, the campus infirmary.

This, you think in your ill stu-

por, is the best possible avenue to pursue. Sadly, as a senior who has made this mistake many times, I

Seriously, and with all personal attacks aside, there is a fundamental problem with the system in place over at Smith House.

can assure you that you have just made a questionable choice.

I've never been one to bite the hand that feeds me (or, in this case, the hand that attempts to heal me), but the staff of Student Health Services (the staff that deals with "sick visits," that is) could use a little "tough medicine" themselves.

Not only have I been misdiagnosed more times than I can re-

member, but it is always my fault.

At Smith House, it is always your fault. It is your fault they can't keep appointments, your fault the receptionist seemingly resents everyone, and it is DEFINITELY your fault that you are sick.

With this sort of treatment, it is no wonder most people opt to tough illness out in bed for a week, classes be damned.

Seriously, and with all personal attacks aside, there is a fundamental problem with the system in place over at Smith House.

One would think that the campus infirmary would present an atmosphere of comfort and healing, making it the sort of place you would WANT to go when you are sick.

With the exception of the wonderful and caring Nurse Dana Plevyak, Smith House is just about the last place on earth I could possibly want to be, particularly when

I am feeling sick enough that I wish I were dead.

So, the question remains, "Why do we put up with this?" The answer, sadly, is simple: because we have no other choice.

Despite all my objections, where am I honestly going to go when I get sick or I get poked by a rusty nail in my desk chair (which happened, by the way)?

I'm going to go to Smith House. Even if they just give me a bag of salt (standard treatment) or assume I have an STD, I'm going to go to Smith House, because I guess disgruntled treatment is better than no treatment at all.

I guess the lesson here is, if you've got the power in life, you don't have to be kind or respectful. And that, my friends, might just be life's most bitter pill.

~Mike Wiles is a senior English major.

Senior disenchanted with McDaniel policies

Staci George reflects on avoidable on-campus hassles

I am not always right. Nor is my way the "correct" way, but honestly, I wish someone would have asked for my opinion on the following matters, and hopefully some readers agree.

First, I wish they had asked how upperclassmen could receive their new McDaniel College ID cards in an organized, stress-free way rather than the cattle call-guess-I-have-to-wait-here-for-two-hours-like manner.

I would have suggested that upon checking in to receive their dorm keys, the Residence Life staff would then send them down to the newly created ID card office.

And since upperclassmen could check in any time between 12 and 5 p.m. on Saturday or Sunday, the annoying time one has to wait in line would have been minimal.

As a side note, most upperclassmen were unaware that their old Western Maryland College ID was now defunct and in order to eat in Glar they had to trade their old card in for the new McDaniel College model.

This too should have been mentioned during room check-in.

Okay, the need for a new ID card when the school has a new name is common sense.

But it could have been better announced and organized so there would not be a second Phoenix commentary pointing out the shortcomings of the ID card process.

After all, the ID card office was open on Saturday and Sunday, but few students knew to get their new cards at that point.

My next opinion comes after I went to my campus mailbox starting on September 10 to look for my work-study paycheck.

By Friday, I thought it was either lost or worst-mailed home to

my parents, who would then have to send it back, so, I checked into this matter.

I learned that because student workers were only here to work a few hours during the last five days of August, it was not worth it to print August paychecks and instead include August hours in the September paycheck, which will come out around October 10.

A measly \$50 or \$60 dollars would have been welcomed. I would think by most, especially those who interned and/or took classes instead of having a summer job and are out of excuses as to why they are calling Mom and Dad yet

For those students who are anti-name change, this offers some inkling of hope that maybe there still is a Western Maryland College located at 2 College Hill, Westminster, Md.

And for those pro-name change-well, my guess is that they do not travel that road and/or drive with their eyes closed while they

dispute about how to get non-Marylanders and non-Carroll Countians to come to this school.

I am well aware of the fact that it is not the job of McDaniel College administration, faculty, and students to go around stealing Western Maryland College signs

I have no suggestion as to how to quickly resolve this issue and just wanted to bring my concern to the attention of loyal Phoenix readers.

again looking for some extra cash.

Well, the payroll office could not print work-study checks, but the telecommunication office could print phone bills.

For me, they needed two pieces of paper for a mere 36-cent phone bill for four minutes of August calls.

Can someone please explain the rationality behind why I had worked 20 hours in August and did not receive a paycheck?

I used my phone for four minutes and got a measly 36-cent bill?

My fourth frustration comes after driving around Westminster in the last few weeks.

Am I seeing things or are there two types of road signs: those that direct you to McDaniel College and those that direct you to Western Maryland College?

For example, when you exit the Townmall of Westminster and proceed on Rt. 27, there is a Rt. 140 junction sign and an arrow with the words "W. Md. Col." next to it.

and replacing them with McDaniel College signs, but rather, the job of Maryland state highway workers.

I have no suggestion as to how to quickly resolve this issue and just wanted to bring my concern to the attention of loyal Phoenix readers.

There is no point in offering a suggestion on the lack of parking issue because each year students complain and the Phoenix publishes unlimited commentaries on the subject.

And the next year, more parking will be taken away due to what seems to be punishment for freedom of speech.

A few spaces have been sacrificed so that a trailer could be set up in the area behind Blanche and Whiteford, and a few more parking spaces that are now being transformed into the North Village.

Of course, the word is that new spaces will be made when the buildings are finished.

While I do not have a sugges-

tion on more parking, I could suggest that students petition for a taxi service that would come to campus during the week, take us around Westminster, and drop us off in front of our door.

Since empty parking lots give the appearance of a desolate and abandoned college campus on the weekend, students can come and go as they please without wasting gas driving around and around and around campus looking for a parking spot on the weekend.

But during the week, the taxi idea, where perhaps your McDaniel ID card could be swiped and a bill would be sent via campus mail (because as we learned earlier, you are more likely to receive a bill than you are to receive a paycheck) to you.

I suppose I should end this column, yet distribute-like, attempt at getting others to try things my way once in a while.

And perhaps you have a better way.

But just humor me and think about the suggestions above.

I know that I am only a student (whose parents invested a lot of money for her to be here) but can't the "powers that be" around here, just momentarily think, "hey, she has point, let's try it that way!"

Although I may not agree with some of the recent (pause, clear throat, deep breath) changes, the above suggestions are minor in comparison and just might accommodate the students more.

By voicing our frustrations with the system and policies at McDaniel College, hopefully some changes can be made accordingly. If not, then at the very least we can pretend as though we have a voice and attempt to set a pathway for future students on the verge of applying to this private, liberal arts school.

~Staci George is a senior communications major.

A few unnecessary changes

Colby Goodrum discusses recent discrepancies with fall semester.

There are a lot of things that have changed at Western Maryland College over the past year.

First of all we got new ID cards. I am not really sure why except that the school wanted us to know what we were all at McDaniel College instead of Western Maryland. Personally, I find it to be a complete waste of plastic to issue new cards to returning students when nothing really changes.

All the ID numbers are the same. I would have to say that of the top ten things I have done over the past year that were a total waste of time, that experience is definitely in the top three.

Aside from the ID cards, the Baker Memorial renovation is complete, and they have switched the location of the sandwich station inside Glar.

None of these changes are really that big of a deal. The ID card thing was a pain, the Baker renovation with the big windows allows us to daydream a little more, and the switching of the sandwich bar just seems unnecessary.

The change I cannot understand is the speed bump behind Blanche and Whiteford, or at least you think it's a speed bump when really it's a mountain.

My understanding of the logic behind speed bumps is to slow people down, not to hole in the bottom of their vehicles.

The bump kind of reminds me of a Monty Python and the Search for the Holy Grail (anyone who has not seen this, I highly recommend it) scene in a round about way.

In the scene where Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table are trying to enter the cave guarded by the most vicious beast imaginable that actually turns out to be a bunny--well that is kind of what the speed bump is like.

Approaching the bump you think: Oh it is just a little speed bump no problem, and then death to your car. What kind of a car were they using when they tested the speed bump for height, a big wheel? Honestly.

I cannot speak for all drivers on campus, perhaps some drivers don't find this to be a problem because they don't go through there very often, however, I would be willing to bet that instead of having the location of the sandwich bar changed, they would rather have their vehicles undamaged by so-called speed bumps.

~Colby Goodrum is a senior English-philosophy major.

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Health services not available on weekends

It's that time of year again. With fall allergies on the rise and germs abounding in the dorms, the average student has a difficult time keeping illnesses at bay. But you better plan accordingly, kids. Don't get sick on the weekends because Smith House won't be there to bail you out.

So you ask, "well, why the hell not? Isn't the Student Health Center supposed to be available to the students who pay good money to get sick due to the lack of clean living environments?"

Well, yes that is the idea. But unless you're one of those people fortunate enough to plan the onset of a cold so that it lies between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, you're outta luck.

Of course, the option of running to the emergency room, should you need an ice pack, cough syrup, or prescription drug is always available, but more than a little absurd.

Especially since the moment you set foot on those hospital tiles, \$70 not covered by your medical insurance is automatically de-

duced from your checking account; this is even before a doctor has acknowledged the fact that you've been waiting for three and a



Erin Romanski

half hours to see him or her.

In the end, you can thank McDaniel College for taking our precious \$27,000 a year to

hasn't been able to breathe through her nose in two days.

It's ok though. She can wait until Monday morning to make an appointment that fits in with her class schedule, then sit in the waiting room for 45 minutes to an hour, and miss her second class of the day because she was too busy reading medical digest while waiting for some sign of life via the nursing staff.

Oh wait, that was me. Sorry.

Well, you better plan accordingly. You should anticipate a bout of influenza, strep throat, or a sudden athletic injury at least a day or two prior to the incident.

This way, you can rest assured that the receptionist will be ready for you the next day, already aware of your symptoms before they start, and she can throw some cough drops at you and send you on your way in a matter of minutes.

Just don't get sick on Saturday, okay?

~Erin Romanski is a junior English major.

Driving privileges are our right in a free country

Tara Dellafranzia remarks on her driving freedoms as an American citizen.

A recent study pointed out that eating fast food while driving is just as hazardous as talking on the cell phone at the wheel.

I'm always eating Schmuflins from Sheetz, egg and cheese croissants from Dunkin' Donuts, and meatless Egg McMuffins from McDonald's. (Yes, I know, they are all the same thing really.)

Never once, though, while eating my favorite protein-filled breakfast food, have I been yelled at for eating at the wheel.

I know it's dangerous, and I've slipped a few times, so now I make sure to unwrap the food and have my drink ready before I continue driving.

While on the cell phone, however, I one day was reprimanded for talking and driving. One day on my way home from work, my mother called.

She works in another building down the street from where I was.

I was returning to campus shortly and she wanted to make sure I stopped by her office to pick up the food.

I made a left into a residential area to turn around.

While carefully doing so, I noted a 40-something man with a pouty face in a large SUV sticking halfway out into the intersection.

He screamed: "GET OFF YOUR CELL PHONE AND DRIVE!" Just like the bumper sticker.

My first thought was this: There are many reasons why SUVs are useful. They can store a lot of people and cargo and they are good in the snow.

However, this was one of those oversized ones.

He may as well have been driving a bus. Why would a man who is way too grumpy to possibly attract a woman and too inconsiderate to procreate actually own an SUV this big?

And it just has to be sticking out right into the middle of the intersection, getting in the way of everything else and trying to poke right where it doesn't belong.

I suppose I don't have to mention how

red with ire the man's face was in that brief section. I guess he has some type of size or masculinity issue.

"Hold on," I told my mom. I stopped the car. Never before was I proud of cursing, but today was a new day ripe with new forms of expression.

I complimented myself on my diction as I said every American's favorite f-word.

"Hold on," I told my mom. I stopped the car. Never before was I proud of cursing, but today was a new day ripe with new forms of expression.

I felt like stopping and getting out of the car.

With two relatives deceased very recently, I had even been making funeral arrangements on the phone just days before. What if I was doing that now? I should have gotten out of the car and said that.

And made tons of prejudiced remarks about the size of his "extra large SUV" and what it compensated for.

Or the fact that he simply must be one of those people out there limiting free speech by imposing rules on other people.

He must agree with our very own president, who unmistakably said, "There ought to be limits to freedom."

Instead, I kept driving, responsibly. I took mind of the children after realizing they'd probably already heard the f-bomb dropped at home.

I made sure not to hit them. I concentrated. I continued talking on my cell phone.

As a free American in this country, I am not about to let some stranger tell me what I can and cannot do in the privacy of my own car.

If I want to talk on my cell phone while driving, so be it.

~Tara Dellafranzia is a senior English major.

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Whether you are a student, parent, faculty member, or any other member of the McDaniel College community, we are looking to hear what you have to say - whether it is about something that we cover or something that we didn't cover. Either way we want to continue to provide an accurate depiction of life at McDaniel and to accomplish that we need your help and support.

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Leaders are helping the campus and their futures

Emily Seal praises the leaders of campus organizations.

As I sat in Decker Auditorium during the McDaniel College Club President meeting, I glanced around the room.

Scattered throughout the rows was a collection of students, sophomores and seniors, men and women of all different nationalities who were there to represent every organization on campus.

This was truly amazing to me and I looked at each student with a little more respect.

Whether you are the president of Student Government, executive board member of CAPBoard, or the Inter Greek Council representative for your fraternity or sorority, you are making a greater impact than you may realize.

The student leaders of this campus are what keep our student organizations and clubs alive.

Think about it, who would want

to join a fraternity or club whose decisions are made by strictly faculty? Our student leaders are so influential because that is what they are: students.

They are one of us who want and know what is best for us, while at the same time are not afraid to admit their mistakes.

They serve as role models and show us what we should strive to be. Not only do these people lead us currently on campus, but the leadership skills they are building now will serve as a strong founda-

tion when they enter the workplace. According to an annual nationwide survey of employers by the National Association of Colleges and Employers, the top ten most important qualities/skills for job candidates were: communication skills, honesty/integrity, teamwork, interpersonal skills, strong work ethic, motivation/initiative, flexibility/adaptability, analytical skills, computer skills, and organizational skills.

Karen Arnie, from Career Services, stresses the idea of develop-

ing these skills through leadership positions on campus.

She feels that students should "use their college experiences to show how they have successfully demonstrated the very skills that an employer wants for their organization."

So to all you leaders out there, I commend you for your strength, determination, and dedication. Our campus would not be the same without you.

~Emily Seal is a senior communications major.

Students take a tumultuous ride on "Speed Mountain"

Have you ever just been driving down the highway slightly dozing off and drifting when you are suddenly jerked awake by those damn grates on the shoulders on the

road?

Well if you have then you undoubtedly know how irritating they truly are to drivers everywhere.

I used to think that those grates were the most annoying speed reducers there could ever be, but unfortunately, I was wrong.

I should have known, of course, that McDaniel College would come up with something so much more incredibly ridiculous than any normal human being could.

What were they possibly thinking? If you haven't guessed already, I am talking about the incredibly enormous speed bump located behind Blanche Ward Hall that has come to be fondly referred to as "Speed Mountain."

If you have not yet been fortunate enough to encounter this beast



Donna Hurd

I suggest that you give it a try.

Only because I feel that you could never really appreciate "Speed Mountain" and all its little quirks if you have never taken a

ride on it.

Once you are feeling saucy one day and decide to take this challenge you will find that this speed trap has a mind of its own.

You will try everything speeding up, slowing down, braking, to trying to go around it (which will never happen). After making a complete fool of yourself you will finally come to the realization that you and your once lovely piece of machinery will always be conquered by the "Mountain."

Eventually you will become accustomed to the harsh sound of the bottom of your car scraping against its unforgiving surface and will just try to find ways to never have to ride it again. Of course, if you have a jeep or sports utility vehicle you probably could care less about

"Speed Mountain."

So if you have read this far, I will now let you go and wonder why you just wasted three minutes of your time reading a commentary that is of no immediate importance to you (sucker).

For the rest of us, all we can do is succumb to the general stupidity of those hired by McDaniel College and endure our numerous encounters with the mountain.

Maybe if enough of our vehicles begin to develop holes in their bottoms they will decide to level off "Speed Mountain."

Until then the only advice I can give you is to buckle up and enjoy the ride.

~Donna Hurd is a senior English major.

An adequate social atmosphere is severely lacking at McDaniel College this year

John Esucram addresses concerns with regards to social atmosphere.

I can't wait to see how many freshmen transfer after this year.

I hope it's a lot so the administration will be forced to reconsider some of its policies, because right now this college looks like the worst college ever.

There's no nightlife.

You can go to the movies, go bowling, go to the bar, or go jump off a bridge, and that's about it. This school and this town make me want to go to the latter.

The latest trend in weekend activities is to get the hell out of here—go home.

In a way, who can blame you?

Free laundry, free meals, a hot shower, and no roommate.

I, for one, can make a lot more fun in my hometown than the campus having to worry about the campus safety patrol breathing down my neck everytime they hear the sound of a can being opened.

A certain amount of students always go home, but the difference between last year and this year is significant.

You can tell first of all by the abnormally large number of available parking spaces.

Second, weekends in Glar are

like a ghost town (which for some reason the Glar people use to justify serving those horrible weekend concoctions).

As if the remaining students, because of their small numbers, aren't allowed a decent meal.

It would have been hilarious if everyone had gone home for family weekend—that would have sent

a.k.a. "party patrol".

I would like to take this time to give credit to the DoCS; they've taken on a hard job and have succeeded, beyond my worst nightmares, in making this the safest, most quiet, depressing campus I've seen.

I have lost all hope in this college and its unrealistic administration.

An education is great, that's what we're all here for, but on the weekends some people like to party; it's a part of college life that students can choose to partake in.

a message.

Afterall, why invite the folks to come for a visit when they can see you in the privacy of your own home?

Speaking of families, it's the parents who have the pull with the administration.

We as students have nothing. Parents influence policy, but kids aren't going to complain to their parents about not being able to openly drink alcohol as much as they want - it doesn't work that way.

The result of all this is a bad case of "en loco parentis overkill," in which the administration unleashes the overzealous DoCS,

tion so I'm not offering any proposals, or remedies for the lack of nightlife options.

In my mind you make your own fun, but it's getting really hard. The school sponsors some events, and I'm glad they're making the effort, but the events just aren't entertaining.

The bands suck.

The comedians suck.

Attending one mind-numbing event is enough to make most people second guess their attendance the next time around.

Might as well stop forwarding those Ernie Ogle messages.

Newsflash: we're not listening and no one is interested in partici-

pating.

Whatever it is you're selling, try selling it somewhere else.

Maybe the locals would be interested.

The population of unwelcome high school students wandering on campus far exceeds that of the student population.

So even if we do attend the event, what do you suppose some people might want to do afterwards?

Go hangout somewhere in some sort of social setting maybe?

The only time the school still allows students to congregate is for clubrooms, and that's just not cutting it.

An education is great, that's what we're all here for, but on the weekends some people like to party. It's a part of college life that students can choose to partake in.

We all know that some idiots ruin all the fun for everyone else, but there's no sense in punishing the majority for the minority of imbeciles that can't socialize without going crazy.

Yes, some people overdue it, but social interaction is part of the learning process.

So just let us learn.

~John Esucram is a senior history major.

Do you have an opinion? A suggestion, comment, or question? If so, you can address your concerns in the form of a commentary or letter to the editor. Simply contact Erin Romanski at x8073 for details.

An R.A.'s angst via problematical Rouzer residents

Dan Hamvas vents about the avoidable problems with the power addressed by Rouzer residents.

All right!

Here we go again!

New year and new stuff to bitch about! Welcome aboard, please fasten your seatbelts, and . . . start bitching, as the line in front of us is 35 planes long, so takeoff is still awhile away.

Sorry! A little insider joke for those who have ever flown out from Dulles International.

The first disappointment of the year will be more puzzling than complicated.

It actually does not even concern me directly (then again, I'm an original bitcher and I bitch for the truth, not for my own well-being.) but I get involved a lot of times, because it is a problem in the residence halls.

And who do you turn to when your life is one big knot of frustration?

Who do you call when your freezer warms everything up, and your microwave freezes the stuff you put into it?

And you need someone to point out to you that the micro's on top, and the freezer's on the bottom and not the other way around?

Who do you call when you threw your desk chair out the window in a rush of fury, and you have nowhere to put your punk-ass down?

Who you gonna call?

That's right, the RA!

Rouzer Angel.

That's me!

So I have all these people from all over the building coming up to me and telling me that "the power's out."

And I say: "Fine."

But after about the twentieth complaint (out of whom fifteen are actually the same people coming back again and again, I start

getting really upset.

Just about as upset as they are, when the OCM (which is contrary to what many think and is not a hip-hop term for coolness, but short for "On-Call Mechanic") tells them that he can't fix it.

"It will be fixed tomorrow!"

Translation: "tonight you guys will just have to do without power; suck it up and

But McDaniel doesn't tell you either that we're not located in Siberia. Or did I get drugged by aliens with A.D.D., who put me out from the spaceship in the wrong place and because the anal-probing feels just right, when I think of some things about this college?

deal."

"Excuse me!

Where the hell are we? Nobody knew where Western Maryland College was, so they changed the name to McDaniel College. But McDaniel doesn't tell you either that we're not located in Siberia.

Or did I get drugged by aliens with A.D.D., who put me out from the spaceship in the wrong place and because the anal-probing feels just right, when I think of some things about this college?

Nope, no water on the streets, so this is not Bangladesh.

Good!

What are you saying?

That it's Westminster?

Not much better then!

But, at least within the boundaries of good old U.S. of A.

So, could someone then please explain to me, why I have to spend one night on the East Coast of the States without power in my room, while I am obliged to pay \$27,000 a year to my hosting institution?

Then comes the response. Or something like that. Fine!

So I do my job, and tell these aggravated, demanding little boys that, "you guys probably need to unplug your illegal air-conditioner."

Illegal air-conditioner?

Why is it illegal?

If you can buy it at Walmart without needing any kind of license or police-badge or government permit to it, is it really illegal?

Or are we just saying it's "illegal", because. . . And you might also want to unplug five of the six fans which you are using towards the realization of your clandestine little plan of turning your room into an ice-pit.

Furthermore, you could also unplug something else: your lap-top, your desktop, your palm top, your Carrot-top, your TV, radio, VCR, DVD, stereo, amplifier, or the microfridge, the alarm clock, the illegal extra fridge.

Here!

Again these illegal heavy artillery equipments only available on the black-market, and smuggled into the country behind the backs of National Security Agents by this evil conspiracy called: Walmart.

Or maybe some of the lights and black-lights, white-lights, blue-lights, and red-lights that are attempting to make your room look homely.

Because you apparently forgot, my friend, that you are NOT at home—you are in college!

And at least one of the three huge Budweiser neon signs, please, which are meant to signalize your commitment to early alcoholism.

Why?

Because all this equipment might not harmonize too well with a similar plethora of electronic appliances in the two neighboring rooms . . . maybe?

Because every year, it is the same damned problem and more and more things to plug in, more and more power to go out.

So I give them this little speech, because that's my job, and I have to ask them to be considerate, as I was instructed, because, after all, we are living in a community and for the sake of the community we have to get rid our selfishness.

Yeah, right! Unselfishness in the middle of the Capitalism Empire. HA-HA, that's a good one!

And respect each other by sharing the energy equally.

So I obediently recite all this, and then I think about it later on, and somewhere in the back of my mind, this tiny voice yells: "F. that!"

They pay \$27 (and next year 28) thousand American dollars for this environment to be an inspiring and motivating place, in other words a home for them.

THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO HAVE IT THE WAY THEIR HEART DESIRES!"

The guy who built Rouzer deserves any-

thing but heartfelt thank-you's anyway (shout out goes to all present and ex-Northsiders of Rouzer. They know what I'm on about), but I would only like, if someone could explain to me why there are only 2, or a maximum of 3 outlets in each room?

Yes, I know that you can split that with a power-strip, but plug too much stuff in there, and you can kiss the strip's ass good bye.

So why isn't there enough outlets? Because power we do have in America. And as much as I don't agree with wasting it, we have enough to use it the way we want to.

But we can't, because the joint is not equipped with the necessary wiring.

Why not?

What does it mean, they didn't think of the increase in electric appliances per room, when they built it?

How long was this building supposed to last?

And I know we live in a society, which is kept alive by consumption or better said: wasting, but we can't have soap in the bathrooms because we "will waste it."

Yet we can build a brick-house, that's supposed to last at least a century, without considering the future needs of its inhabitants?

What the hell?

Now, while I, as a rational-minded person, do not expect Rouzer (and as a matter of fact, Whiteford too) to look like the main-frame terminal of the Matrix, I can't grasp why there isn't enough connections to drain the juice from the main-line?

For \$27,000, if I wanted to plug myself into the wall, I should be able to do just that. But, I guess that's just the way the cookie crumbles, right?

The designers screwed up big time and gotta live with it, ha?

Wrong!

Dead wrong!

Because from what I've heard, the problem can, in fact, be fixed by inserting extra-circuits.

So the question arises then: if this is possible, why wasn't this done before.

Before what?

Before we got back to school.

Because every year, it is the same damned problem and more and more things to plug in and more power to go out.

Now, if there is an observable tendency of certain things happening, would it be a logical tumble to assume that by planning ahead for the reappearance of given problem, and taking preventive measures to avoid it, we might be able to fix the certain tendency?

That, maybe if we built in extra-circuits before the year starts, then the power might not go out as often?

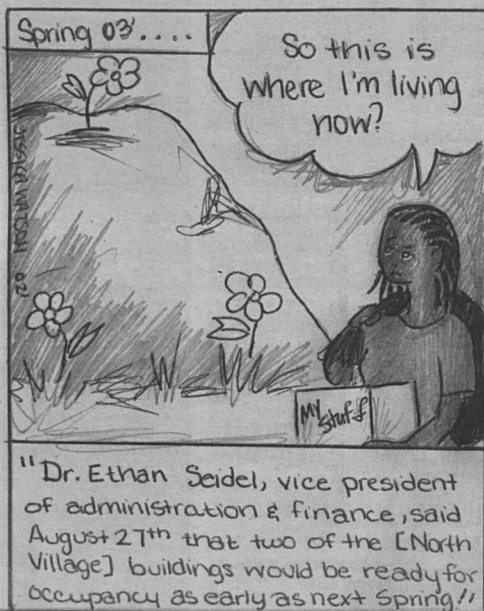
And then, if one year, students show up with exactly the same amount of gadgetry as the year before.

Besides that being the time of a real recession in America, I still don't think being prepared will hurt us.

Not as much, at least, as the annoying power outages hurt my residents, and not as much for sure, as annoyed residents annoy me with their redundant complaints of a ridiculous technical mishap of such petty magnitude.

Expecting an informative answer to my questions and suggestions, yours truthfully: Daniel Hamvas.

-Dan Hamvas is a senior communications major.





Hector Cantu, co-creator of the comic strip "Baldo" is shown above(left) next to the main character of the comic strip, Baldo himself (right).

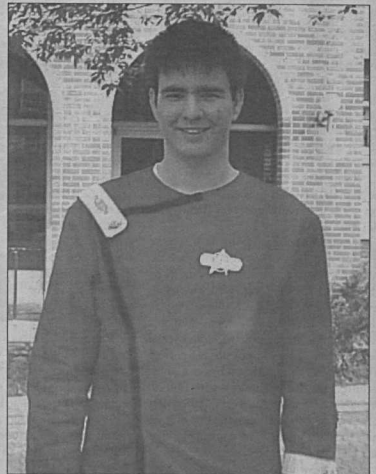
A sampling of what the comic Baldo has to offer

Baldo Comic courtesy of uclick.com



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Beam me up, Scottie!



NICOLE GRIMM

Star Trek fans run in Joe Evaristo's family; above he is sporting his official "Trek" uniform - complete with rank insignia and starfleet badge.

NICOLE GRIMM

Staff Writer

What do khaki-cargo pants, trendy flip flops, and polo shirts have in common? You won't find any items of this style in Joe Evaristo's closet. When he's not dressed in his casual tee-shirts and vests, he comes to class in full uniform - Star Trek uniform that is.

While he has always been a major Star Trek fan, Evaristo only started dressing in uniform his senior year in high school. "I dressed like this last year," explained Evaristo, "and the majority of people responded well to my attire, despite the fact that some cursed me out for it."

Those who saw his wardrobe for the first time sometimes reacted in astonishment. "One of the funniest stories was when I came dressed in uniform to take the New Jersey State Test at my high school. The halls were difficult to get through, and when everyone saw me, the crowd split in two and I walked right down the middle with everyone looking at me," laughed Evaristo.

Reactions here on campus have been that of appreciation and he is quickly becoming recognized. Already he has been featured on a campus television production, which he worked on, highlighting his distinctive style. When classes get boring and stressful, it is nice to see someone staying true to him-

self by dressing how he likes.

Evaristo described his style as, "A fun thing to do, and a fun thing to see." His uniform collection consists of three different outfits. Two are simply costumes bought from a Halloween store, and his third one, his favorite uniform, is made from the same material that suits are made from.

Star Trek fans seem to run in Evaristo's family; however he is by far the most involved with the show. His single favorite episode of Star Trek is titled, "Trouble with Tribbles", a comedic episode about furry creatures who multiply uncontrollably.

"He wears what he likes and does not feel like he has to fit any 'mold.'"

Though it was easy for Evaristo to name a favorite episode, he does not have a favorite character.

Instead, he thinks the engineers are the coolest characters on the show, reason being they run the whole "Starship Enterprise".

Though he only wears his uniform about once a week, Evaristo still maintains his own style of dress. The quote, "Conformity is not my style," from the episode "The Price" suits Evaristo well.

He wears what he likes and does not feel like he has to fit any "mold". In this day and age of the cookie-cutter look, it is refreshing to see an individual expressing himself. Being unique is a wonderful thing, and may Evaristo's sense of style "live long and prosper."

Lights, camera, action!: The latest production on the Hill

The National Players begin Tour 54 with "Tartuffe" in Alumni Theatre

STACI GEORGE
Staff Writer

In 1669, Moliere wrote Tartuffe, a classic comedy about religion, sex, and hypocrisy and after an appeal made by the religious establishment, King Louis XIV banned it from public performances until Moliere revised it.

Fast-forward to 1948 when Father Hartkey, head of the Drama department at Catholic University at that time and founding figure in Washington, D.C. theatre, established a classical touring company called the National Players.

Now jump to September 14, 2002, when the National Players began their Tour 54 season with a performance of Tartuffe at McDaniel College.

Because there is no point in a formal, descriptive play review—those who saw the show can form their own criticisms and those who did not see the show, well why try to persuade them when the National Players and Tartuffe have left our campus—all that is worth commenting on is that hilarious scene change when the table got up and sort of "floated" off stage after Orgon caught Tartuffe trying to initiate sex with Elmire, Orgon's wife and the American flag waving at the end of the show when the FBI official came to take Tartuffe away while a patriotic tune played.

For those who attended the show, they may have recognized a familiar face or per-

haps his voice. Here's a hint: he portrayed Cleante. Give up? Well, it was, Jon Reynolds, a WMC 2000 graduate and theatre major.

This is his second year touring with the National Players. In addition to his role in Tartuffe, he has a role in the other Tour 54 play As You Like It, and is the tour manager.

As he explains, the tour manager is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the company while they are out on the road for two weeks stretches.

Reynolds says that his character, Cleante, functions largely as the voice of reason. As Orgon's brother-in-law, Cleante tries to warn Orgon that Tartuffe is a fraud and should not fall victim to Tartuffe's deceptions. However, Orgon does not listen to him.

Reynolds admitted that Moliere uses Cleante as both the voice of reason and as

those who mock the voice of reason.

In response to his feelings about this recent performance, he said, "McDaniel always gives us a great send off. For me personally, it's a great treat to come back and perform on a stage I performed on many times during college."

The Phoenix also interviewed Cecil Baldwin (Tartuffe) and John Stillwagon (Damis). Baldwin, a 2001 graduate of Bradley University in Peoria, Illinois, describes his character as the very gullible father of the household and is the "Dean Martin to Jerry Lewis" Tartuffe."

He concluded that, "it is more difficult to perform than I thought it would be." He went on to say that despite the difficulty, "it's a fun part to play."

Stillwagon, a 2001 graduate of St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia, Pa., portrays Orgon's son, Damis. Stillwagon calls his character a "suburbanite teen who wants

his father's approval." Throughout most of the show, Damis is hurt because he sees Tartuffe taking his place.

As for learning all those rhyming lines, Stillwagon said, "it made it easier to memorize them, but harder to save yourself when you mess up."

Reynolds, Stillwagon, Baldwin, and the rest of the Tour 54 cast will perform Tartuffe and As You Like It throughout the United States until April 2003. Reynolds, Stillwagon, and Baldwin are not sure what they will be doing once Tour 54 concludes.

As Reynolds pointed out, an actor lives job to job. Although not sure what his next job will be, he said he'd like to do live theatre in the Washington D.C. area.

Hopeful that he too can return to his alma mater for a National Players performance, Stillwagon has thought about doing theatre in either Washington, D.C. or in Philadelphia. He would love to make the move to New York City.

On the mainland, Chicago or Washington, D.C. are two possible areas Baldwin has considered to continue his theatrical career. He also has a friend who is a stage manager on a cruise ship and he is considering audition for one of the ship's performances.

After saying he felt "blessed to have started the season here," Stillwagon emphasized how thankful he was to everyone who helped with unloading the truck and setting up the set.



(l-r) John Stillwagon, Jon Reynolds, and Cecil Baldwin chat about their first 2002 show with the National Players.

STACI GEORGE



Anxious to see another show? Well, "Voices: the Joan of Arc Story" opens Thursday, October 3 at 8 p.m.

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PINK: Missundaztood:

"We are all pink on the inside."



JESSICA WATSON
Staff Writer

The former R&B artist who pumped out songs such as "Hell With Ya" and "There You Go" in her debut album "Can't Take Me Home" turns to a rock genre with her latest album "Missundaztood." Although Arista records had Pink's album on the market in 2001, it only recently gained recognition with her singles "Don't Let Me Get Me" and "Just Like A Pill."

What happened to her pink hair? I thought that was the reason behind her name, but I was faced with a completely new image of this artist when watching the music video for "Just Like A Pill." She was dressed in so much black that I hardly recognized her.

Her music and lyrics has made a complete turn around from her first album to the next, but after searching in between the lines

of the lyrics, I discovered that Pink is still Pink. Now with a more of a punk attitude, she takes on the appeal of someone who is just throwing her emotions out on the line and not caring what anyone has to say about it. To anyone who has ever been frustrated, confused, or in her words "missundaztood," you might be attracted to this album.

The lyrics to her songs are so deep and run like rivers emptying into the sea; and in her case a sea of emotions, drama, and reality. I think that Pink really put her heart and soul into this CD. I wasn't planning to pick it up at first, but after deciding to keep an open mind with the "Just Like A Pill" video, I found that I could really relate to the lyrics and that they held a lot of meaning. Her image has changed no doubt, but the meaning behind the album says even more than her image. She is Pink, and in her own words, "We are all pink on the inside."

Why are two McDaniel College students jumping out of planes?

LAURA PETERSEN
Staff Writer

As McDaniel College students were returning to campus or moving in for the first time, two juniors were 800 miles south of Maryland jumping from airplanes.

"I wanted to go so bad that I really didn't mind missing the first two weeks of school," junior Nicole Prush explained.

As an active member of the McDaniel College ROTC program since her freshman year, Prush signed up to take part in the summer airborne training program that is conducted at Fort Benning, Georgia.

"I chose to miss the first two weeks of school," Chris Bagby, also a junior at

McDaniel college, explained. "I had a slot to attend the training in June but I figured if I had a chance to jump out of an airplane five times with my best friend, what could be more fun than that?"

Bagby, also a member of ROTC since freshman year, met Prush when first entering college. Now roommates, Bagby and Prush are still worn out from the training that made them miss the first two weeks of the fall semester.

"It pushes a person mentally and physically," Prush explained. Since her return, Prush has been attempting to "rest, relax, and catch up" on the two weeks of work that she has missed.

"It hasn't been too bad," Bagby said of her current workload. "Most of my teachers have been pretty lenient."

Airborne training consists of three weeks at Fort Benning, each week is specifically named. Week one, "ground week," consists of rigorous physical training and instruction designed to prepare students to make a parachute jump and land safely.

The second week, "tower week," teaches individual skill as well as team effort. Jump skills are

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taught through the use of a suspended harness and the 250-foot-free-fall tower, which the week is named after. The final week is "jump week" where students execute five parachute drops from an aircraft 1,200 feet high.

"It's the craziest thing I've ever done," Bagby laughed. "I will never forget my fifth jump."

Bagby describes her fifth jump as a "dramatic experience." After being blown off course, Bagby was carried one and one half mile off course near the Alabama state line.

"I was near danger everywhere, I went over a forest of trees, power lines," Bagby recalls. "It really shook me."

Luckily, Bagby landed in an open field safely and was not injured.

After the three-week training is complete, students are qualified paratroopers. As qualified paratroopers, Bagby and Prush are prepared to parachute into battle if needed.

As Prush pointed out, paratroopers do not simply free fall like skydivers. Skydivers fall from altitudes of 9,000 and 10,000 feet, which ensures a soft landing. Paratroopers drop from altitudes of 1,200 feet in order to quickly reach the ground and prepare for combat. Landings for Prush were not at all soft as she describes herself to be similar to a "falling bag of bricks."

Bagby enjoyed her airborne training. "It was my first interaction with the real army."

Prush agreed, "ROTC isn't really like the army until you go to a real post like Fort Benning."

Bagby plans on continuing her training by enrolling in courses similar to airborne training after completing college and participating in the army full time. Prush plans to serve full time in the army four years after college as well.

In the meantime, Prush and Bagby are proud of their new titles as paratroopers.

"If my country needs me I will be there, I am proud to be a paratrooper," Prush concluded.

Thumbs up for "MY BIG FAT GREEK WEDDING"



Ian Miller (played by John Corbett) and Toulia Portokalos (played by Nia Vardalos) are two of many main characters in this movie.

JESSICA WATSON
Features Editor

My friends and I were originally planning to go see "SIGNS," honest! But instead, due to a few complications with picking the right show time, we ended up seeing "My Big Fat Greek Wedding."

Being completely oblivious to the media at times, I hadn't the slightest idea as to what this movie was about. I never even heard of it before, so I assumed that it was going to be a movie version of MTV's "So...rarity Life" (can you see why I was apprehensive about wasting my money?).

But to my surprise, this movie was not a waste at all! "My Big Fat Greek Wedding" is narrated by a Greek woman named Toulia Portokalos (Nia Vardalos) who believes that she was put on this earth to marry a Greek man and to have many Greek children. She is 30 years old, single, and working in a family restaurant (Dancing Zorbas). One day non-Greek man by the name of Ian Miller (John Corbett) walks in and she is immediately attracted to him.

The movie documents her as she attempts to maintain this relationship with Ian and conceal it from her family. Her father believes firmly in carrying on the Greek tradition of marrying a Greek in so on and prides himself on his culture and heritage.

He walks around claiming that

all American words have Greek root words. Toulia has a great affection for her family, even her father, who manages to always have a bottle of Windex handy because he is convinced that it can cure anything.

No one in her family has ever gone out with a non-Greek, so Toulia has several stereotypes and obstacles to overcome. Throughout the process she also changes her appearance and her career. Overall this film comes with a lot of hu-

mor and it is also warm and sensible.

When the film is first opening you don't feel as if you are dealing with a product of Hollywood, with big breasted women and people who can take a beating and still walk without the slightest limp. This isn't Hollywood, it kind of reminds me of real life.

If anyone has ever been embarrassed about their family, self-conscious about yourself, or dated someone when friends and family did not approve, this is the movie for you. And if anyone will make you laugh, it's Toulia Portokalos. As her father explains in the movie when becoming more accepting of his daughter's marriage, "Miller" (Ian Miller) goes back to the Greek Word for apple, and "Portokalos" is based on the Greek word for oranges, and so, "in the end, we're all fruits!"

"Toulia has a great affection for her family, even her father, who manages to always have a bottle of Windex handy because he is convinced that it can cure anything."

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- Uncle Jemima

Since we all know you do, why not write a movie review for the Phoenix...we'll even pay for your ticket. If there is a better deal out there, we haven't seen it yet!

Family Weekend 2002

The steep hill that surrounds the football field is painted many colors, as Greeks and other campus organizations painted their symbols across the grass. Parents are finally seeing the dorm rooms that their kids hastily cleaned the night before, freshmen are getting their families acquainted with their peer mentors, and Family Weekend 2002 officially begins here at McDaniel College.



JEN PERRY

Families are getting some R&R as they watch the Green Terror sweep the field.



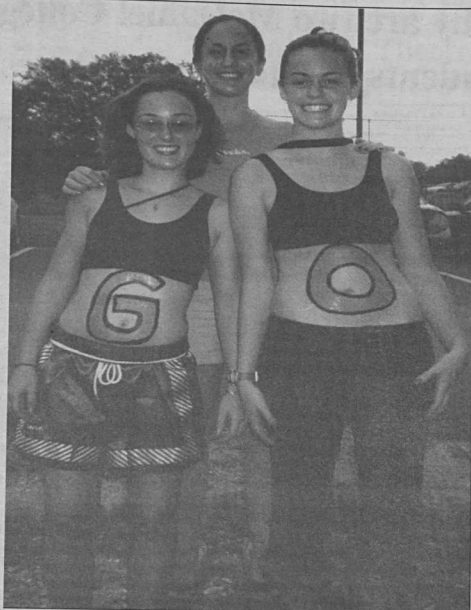
JESS HECKERMAN

Father and daughter go head to head in the ultimate test of strength.



BRAD CARMAN

Brad must have overslept for this Family Weekend.



JODI HUNTER

Jodi Hunter (center) and friends Liz and Lindsay show off their school spirit.



JEN PERRY

Good conversations are shared over good food.



NICOLE WORRELL

Nicole Worrell (center) and friends Emily and Holly get comfortable before the game.

Women's soccer uses hard work to get back on winning track

COURTNEY KIEF
Staff Writer

The Green Terror women's soccer team is seeing their hard work pay off. With a record of 5-3, the Terror has won two out of three of their most recent games, and are ready for more. On Sept. 20, McDaniel travelled to Allentown, PA to face Muhlenberg College.

Scoring started early for McDaniel when junior Nikki Lepson was assisted by sophomore Brook Weimer in under four minutes. Muhlenberg answered back with a penalty kick.

Neither team scored for the remainder of the half. McDaniel was

crossed the ball to Lepson for the game winning goal. Senior goalkeeper Candi Kuligowski contributed 11 saves to the win.

"Our defense is awesome. They work very well together and have become very cohesive," said Lepson. A big win came McDaniel's way on September 14, as the women's soccer team beat Shepherd College 5-0 at McDaniel.

At halftime, the Terror were winning 1-0 on a goal scored by sophomore Dawn Fletcher 14 minutes into the game. In the second half, four goals were scored within 12 minutes.

Cavey assisted Weimer to make

"Our offensive momentum is getting much stronger the last couple of games, and we are becoming more comfortable as a team and as a unit."

-Christine Mayne

unable to stop Muhlenberg from scoring in the second half, and were outshot 14-9, resulting in a 3-1 loss.

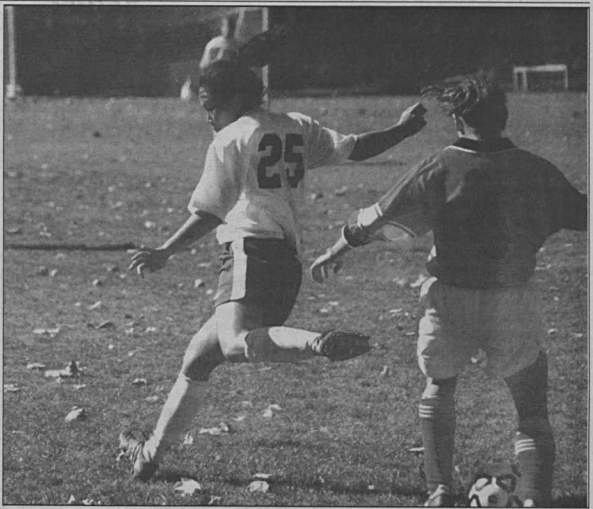
The Green Terror boarded the buses once again on Sept. 18, and travelled to Swarthmore College. McDaniel outshot Swarthmore 21-17, in the 2-1 victory. Sophomore Laura Cavey scored 33 minutes into the first half off of an assist by freshman Megan Mattson.

Swarthmore was unable to score until the second half on a goal by Shavaughn Lewis which forced the game into overtime. Seven minutes into the overtime, Weimer

the score 2-0.

Five minutes later, Lepson found sophomore Katie Kirley (3-0), freshman Nikki Varoutos then scored unassisted (4-0), and after that assisted Kirley for her second goal of the day.

The Green Terror outshot Shepherd College 23-1. Senior Christine Mayne said, "Our offensive momentum is getting much stronger the last couple of games, and we are becoming more comfortable as a team and as a unit." The Green Terror will face Wesley College in a game on September 25.



Green Terror soccer player Nikki Lepson fights for the ball in a recent game

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Cross Country perform well in Terror Challenge

GREG LEDERER
Sports Editor

The McDaniel College men's and women's cross country teams seem to love the confines of their home course.

Both teams had great performances in the third annual Green Terror Cross Country Challenge on September 14.

On the women's side, the team was the runner-up at the meet, finishing in second place.

The first Green Terror runner to cross the finish line was senior Jen Pullen who came in sixth place in a time of 20:30, followed closely by fellow senior Holly Thompson's 12th place finish in a time of 21:06. Freshman Colleen Lawson and Natasha Young also ran well at the meet, finishing 20th and 22nd respectively.

Senior Ellen Miller came right in between her teammates finishing 21st in a time of 21:36.

On the men's side, the team came in fifth at the meet and were paced by freshman Paul Hugas's time of 28:49 which gave him 11th place in the race.

Following Hugas, was freshman team-

mate Matt Jackson who came in 22nd place in a time of 30:13. Soon after, senior Dave Profili crossed the finish line in 24th place with a time of 30:27 and sophomore John Reagan placed 33rd in a time of 31:13.

Recently, the team competed in the Elizabethtown Invitational on September 21, with the men taking seventh place and the women earning a sixth place finish.

On the men's side, Hugas was the first Green Terror to cross the finish with his 36th place finish in a time of 30:57, while Jackson was n't very far behind, finishing 41st in a time of 31:18. Profili was the very next runner to come across, finishing 42nd in a time of 31:19 and Reagan placed 49th in a time of 31:50.

For the women, Pullen led the way with a 22nd place finish in a time of 25:39.

She was later followed by freshman Kristen Aversa and Colleen Lawson in 26th and 44th places respectively. Ellen Miller came in fourth for the team with a 47th place finish in a time of 26:46.

The teams will compete next in the Wilmington Invitational on September 28.

The dream story of Tom Brady shows dedication

GREG LEDERER
Sports Editor

How is he doing it? Who do you ask? The answer is the reigning Super Bowl MVP Tom Brady, the starting quarterback for the World Champion New England Patriots.

When the Patriots won the Super Bowl last year, Brady was an deemed a one year wonder, a guy who fell into the right place at the right time. His stats weren't dazzling, but all he did was win game after game.

This year, Brady has done more than enough to silence his critics, putting up incredible numbers that rival any quarterback in the NFL. In his most recent game, Brady completed 25 of 39 passes for 410 yards and four touchdowns in the Patriots nail-biting 41-38 victory over the Kansas City Chiefs. The victory improved New England's record to 3-0 and people are finally starting to pick the team as favorites to win their games now.

Not to sound like a know it all, but I knew that Brady wasn't just some afterthought that many scouts scoffed at when he was drafted in the sixth round of the NFL Draft. I watched Brady play his college football at the University of Michigan and he was never a big star until his senior year.

Going into the season, he was involved in a quarterback controversy with talented sophomore Drew Hensen whose reputation was bigger than Brady's. Hensen was an All-American school boy who had already signed a multi-million dollar deal with the New York Yankees and was prototypical NFL quarterback: Good size, strong arm, and speed to go along with a good mind. The two were shifted in and out of games until almost half way through the season, when Michigan head coach Lloyd Carr decided to go with experience and made Brady the starter for the rest of the season.

Invigorated with his coach's support of him, Brady didn't lose another game for the rest of the season, including a thrilling overtime victory in the Orange Bowl over the heavily favored University of Alabama.

When the draft came along that April, Brady was selected in the sixth round by the New England Patriots and was immediately dropped to the bottom of the depth chart. The

coaching staff told him that he was too frail to handle the pounding of an NFL season and had to learn how to read NFL defense if he ever wanted to play at the pro level.

Instead of crying or complaining like other quarterbacks (Ryan Leaf), Brady got to work and spent his entire rookie season on the practice squad, learning the New England offense and working diligently at getting stronger in the weight room to prove that he could contribute to the team in the future.

By the time the Patriots returned the next season for training camp, Brady returned stronger and more prepared for his sophomore season.

He impressed head coach Bill Belichick so much that he moved him to the backup quarterback role on the depth chart, behind All-Pro quarterback Drew Bledsoe.

When Bledsoe was injured in the second game of the season, Brady was inserted with the team winless at 0-2, but Brady rallied a team of no superstars to the playoffs and caught the eye of New Englanders who fell in love with the kid's love of the game and his story of success.

Brady led the team to the Super Bowl that year, where they faced off against the heavily favored St. Louis Rams.

This game wasn't supposed to be close at all, and all the experts were picking the Rams in a blowout and some questioned if Brady should even play due to a ankle injury that he suffered in the AFC championship game victory over the Pittsburgh Steelers.

The Patriots would go on to stun the Rams in one of the most unpredictable Super Bowls ever, winning on a last second field goal by place kicker Adam Vinitieri.

Brady was named MVP and got to answer the famous question, "You have just won the Super Bowl, what are you going to do now?" Brady's response, "I'm going to Disney World!"

Brady's dream run has continued for over a season already, and people are starting to realize that he is isn't just a one year wonder, but a solid NFL quarterback.



New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady looks to find an open receiver in the snow against the Oakland Raiders during the AFC Championship game last year.



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Sports Trivia

1. Who is the only player to hit 30 home runs with five different teams?
2. What are the only teams in modern record (last seventy years) to win back to back world series?
3. When was the last time the Cincinnati Bengals had a winning season?

Green Terror

Sports Schedule

Football

Women's Soccer

School	Con.	Overall
F&M	1-0	3-0
Muhlenburg	1-0	3-0
McDaniel	1-0	2-1
Johns Hopkins	0-0	2-0
Gettysburg	0-1	1-2
Ursinus	0-2	0-1
Dickinson	0-1	0-3

Dickinson	1-0	6-2
Haverford	1-0	6-2
Gettysburg	1-0	4-1-2
Muhlenburg	1-0	3-5
McDaniel	1-1	5-3
Swarthmore	1-1	5-4
F&M	0-0	5-1
Johns Hopkins	0-1	4-3-1
Washington	0-1	4-4
Bryn Mawr	0-1	3-4
Ursinus	0-1	3-4

Volleyball

Haverford	2-0	9-6
Muhlenburg	2-0	8-9
F&M	1-0	15-3
McDaniel	1-2	4-7
Gettysburg	0-0	7-9
Johns Hopkins	0-0	7-10
Ursinus	0-0	5-9
Washington	0-0	3-14
Swarthmore	0-0	1-6
Dickinson	0-1	5-11
Bryn Mawr	0-3	2-13

Men's soccer

Johns Hopkins	2-0	6-1
Gettysburg	1-0	5-0-2
Muhlenburg	1-0	5-3
F&M	1-0	2-5
Haverford	0-0-1	4-0-1
McDaniel	0-1-1	3-2-2
Swarthmore	0-1	5-3
Washington	0-1	3-2-1
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Dickinson	0-1	2-2-1

Field Hockey

Johns Hopkins	1-0	3-2
F&M	1-0	4-3
McDaniel	0-0	7-0
Muhlenburg	0-0	6-1
Dickinson	0-0	3-2
Washington	0-0	3-3
Swarthmore	0-0	3-4
Gettysburg	0-0	1-5
Bryn Mawr	0-0	0-7
Haverford	0-2	2-5
Ursinus	0-0	5-1

Green Terror Sports Schedule

Football

@ Ursinus
September 28th, 1pm

Volleyball

@ Messiah College
September 28th, 11am

Women's soccer

@ Wesley
September 25th, 4:30pm

Men's soccer

Franklin and Marshall
September 25th, 4pm

Field Hockey

@ Dickinson College
September 25th, 4pm

Cross Country

@ Wilmington Invitational
September 28th, 10:30am

Volleyball struggling through early season

GREG LEDERER

Sports Editor

It has been a tough start to the season for the McDaniel College Volleyball squad as they have compiled a less than spectacular 4-7 record.

The team is breaking in many new freshman players and they are confident that there is still time for the team to turn the season around.

In their most recent game, the team went on the road for a double-header match against conference foes, Muhlenburg and Bryn Mawr College.

The team struggled in the first game against Muhlenburg losing the match 3-1.

Senior Kate Wall led the team with 22 assists and 27 digs while freshman Krista Eiser contributed 12 sets.

The Green Terror responded in the second game, shutting out Bryn Mawr 3-0. Wall had 20 kills and 14 digs to lead the team again, and junior Kellyanne Rose provided 14 digs of her own in the victory. The team struggled in their Centennial Conference opener against Haverford College.

In the best three series, the Green Terror lost the first three by a slim margin for the shutout.

Despite the loss, the team looks to build on the experience as the conference schedule continues.

One of the brightest spots for the team came on September 14 in

a tournament with Goucher and Villa Julie College.

The Green Terror swept and shutout the two teams 3-0 in both games, picking up their 2 and 3 wins of the season. Against Goucher College, Rose had seven kills and 12 digs while Wall had another strong game with 13 kills and 12 digs.

Freshman Mindy Minchoff also played well in the contest, pacing the team with 16 assists.

The second game saw another big performance from Wall with a team leading 12 kills and 14 digs and freshman Megan Mitchell led the team with 16 digs in the straight game win.

The team struggled against Elizabethtown College on September 11.

The Green Terror lost in straight sets on the road 22-30, 24-30, and 26-30. Wall led the McDaniel team with 23 digs and 11 kills. Rose had another strong performance with 19 digs in the loss.

With a very large group of freshman on this year's squad, the team is learning to play together and gaining experience.

With strong leadership from battle tested players like Wall and Rose, the team believes that the 2002 campaign will be another strong season for the volleyball program on the hill.

Men's soccer's usually dominant defense, falls short against JHU

GREG LEDERER

Sports Editor

So far, the McDaniel College Men's Soccer team is off to a solid 3-2-2 start to their season.

The team has set their sights on the conference championship, but the road to the prize won't be an easy one with conference powers Gettysburg and Johns Hopkins having great season.

On September 21, the Green Terror hosted conference foe, Haverford College.

The game saw points hard to come by as defense controlled the contest. McDaniel struck first when sophomore Thomas Kane pounded the ball past the Haverford goalie and took a slim 1-0 lead at the end of the first half.

The McDaniel defense continued their dominance until the closing seconds of the contest when disaster struck, as Haverford picked up a miracle score with just 18 seconds left in regulation.

From there, the clock sounded

and the teams had to settle for a tie.

The team received their first big conference test when conference rival and national powerhouse Johns Hopkins University came to the hill on September 18.

In the first half, the Green Terror played tough and found themselves in a good situation, only down 1-0 at the half.

Unfortunately for McDaniel, the Blue Jays showcased their offensive power in the second half, showering the Green Terror, with seven goals in an 8-0 victory.

The opposition dominated the stat book for the contest, but the Green Terror found positives in the loss.

McDaniel registered a strong road victory on September 11, against conference opponent, Villa Julie College.

The game remained scoreless until the second half when Green Terror picked up goals from fresh-

man Timothy McCallum and Kane to shutout the opposition 2-0.

Senior goal tender Brent Kahuda had a strong performance with eight saves in the win.

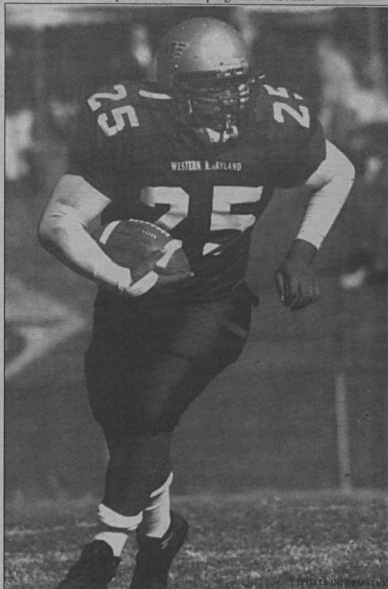
The Green Terror continued their strong defensive play against non-conference opponent, Savannah College of Art & Design.

While they failed to register a goal in the contest, the defense shutout the opposition as well and settled for another tie.

Kahuda had another strong game for the team, stopping seven shots in the contest.

With the season in full swing, the team is now looking towards a big slate of conference games on the schedule.

With the conference title in mind, the team is prepared to face the challenge of a solid conference and non-conference slate of teams. The next home game is October 26 against Ursinus.



Senior running back Jemel Johnson has been main ball carrier this season

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Green Terror Football pounds away at Susquehanna, beats bitter rival Gettysburg College

GREG LEDERER
Sports Editor

After losing their opener to nationally ranked Bridgewater College, the McDaniel College Football team picked themselves up and won their next two games over Susquehanna University and Gettysburg College.

On September 21, the Green Terror hosted bitter rival Gettysburg College in their Centennial Conference opener.

McDaniel could never get in a rhythm offensively in the contest as the Bullets defense forced four fumbles, returning one of them for a touchdown, but the Green Terror defense was stingy as usual and led the team to a tough 28-6 victory. McDaniel got on the board first when senior quarterback John Luster scored on a 6 yard run.

Following a fumble that Gettysburg returned for a touchdown to tie the game, McDaniel hit paydirt again when Luster found senior wide receiver James Jegede to take a 14-6 lead at the end of the first half. Jegede caught three passes in the game for 35 yards. The second half saw the McDaniel defense take over the game as they shutout the Bullets to preserve the

victory. Senior linebacker Matt Wilchinski lead the team again with 12 tackles and while senior defensive back Scott Stolzenburg picked up his second interception of the season, returning it 44 yards. Senior Haroun Hebron, junior Tony Braglio, and sophomore Joe Ryzdewski also made strong contributions, each picking up sacks in the contest.

A bright spot for the Green Terror offense was their running game that, despite the turnovers, rung up 279 yards in the contest.

Senior tailback Jemel Johnson rushed for 119 yards in the contest while junior fullback Jason Hartman scored on a short run and freshman Broderick Maybank broke through late in the contest for a 27 yard touchdown that sealed the Bullets' fate.

The week before, the Green Terror used a punishing running attack to defeat non-conference foe, Susquehanna University.

At one point during the contest, the team ran 29 consecutive running plays at the Crusader defense, piling up 338 yards and registering a 27-7 win.

Junior French Pope spear-

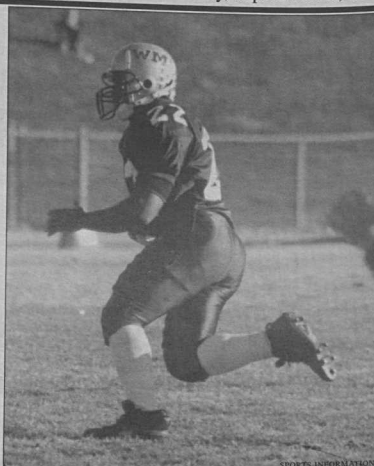
headed the attack for McDaniel rushing for 135 yards and two touchdowns on 17 attempts while Johnson continued his strong play with 88 yards and a touchdown of his own.

McDaniel didn't find the same success through the air, as the team only picked up 108 yards in the passing game, but Luster played a solid game as he completed six of nine passes for 90 yards and didn't turnover the football. Backup sophomore quarterback Orion Canine scored a touchdown in his own on a five yard run in the second quarter.

The defense was smothering again for the Green Terror and they only allowed 2 rushing yards in the contest and forced two fumbles.

Senior defensive lineman Jesse Hudson had a big day for the team, picking up a sack and four tackles and junior defensive back Joe Symanek also picked up four tackles to lead the secondary.

The team responded to their tough season opening loss to Bridgewater with a couple of strong wins and has set their sights on another conference championship trophy.



Junior tailback French Pope looks for running room. He ran for a team high 135 rushing yards with 2 TDs in the team's win over Susquehanna.

Field Hockey wins double overtime thriller, remains undefeated at 7-0

KATIE MARTIN
Staff Writer

The McDaniel College Field Hockey team was able to pull out a 2-1 victory over Roanoke College on Saturday in a double overtime.

"It was a good match up," according to Coach Muffie Bliss, as both teams entered the game undefeated.

Freshman Lindsay Ricks scored the first goal of the game off of an assist from Laua Ford. However, less than two minutes later, Roanoke's Kelly Lyons answered with a goal.

The score remained tied for the remainder of the game, but the Green Terror dominated the Maroons, out shooting them 24-4.

Junior Kristin Talarovich commented that while unable to score, the team still "played good as a whole."

The game went into double overtime, but with about eleven minutes remaining, freshman Danielle Unflat got a breakaway and raced down the field. She passed into the circle to Talarovich, who tapped the ball into the cage to score.

Talarovich said it was "awesome" to score the game winning goal and that it "relieved the team because we were all so tired."

The win improves the team's record to a perfect 7-0.

Since it was Families Weekend at the college, the bleachers were packed with numerous parents and friends that came out to watch the game.

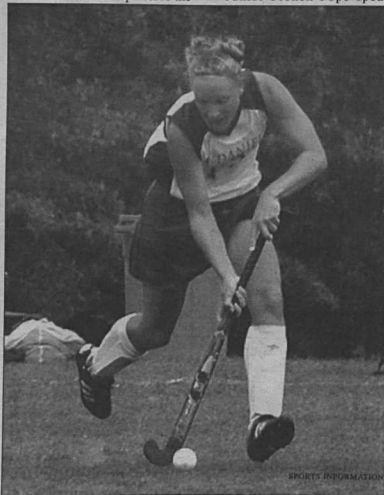
The Green Terror fans certainly entertained with the closest and most captivating game yet this season.

The Green Terror will begin their conference schedule on September 25th when they take on Dickinson College.

Coach Bliss said the team is "looking forward to the start of conference play."

She added, "The team is prepared as they have experienced strokes and now 7 vs. 7 and they have confidence since they are undefeated."

For all of the team's fans, the next home game is Saturday, September 28 against Swarthmore.



Junior Kristin Talarovich drives downfield looking for an open teammate.

Previous Field Hockey Results

September 18
@Frostburg
McDaniel 4
Frostburg 2

September 14
@McDaniel
McDaniel 5
Elizabethtown 2

September 11
@College of Notre Dame
McDaniel 2
College of Notre Dame 1



College democrats campaign with local politicians for upcoming election period

More political candidates to speak to campus community

KATIE CHAMPION
Assistant News Editor

With local elections in full swing, this promises to be a busy year for the College Democrats.

Last month, McDaniel College hosted Robert Wack (D), of Westminster, a candidate for the House of Delegates as a guest speaker on campus.

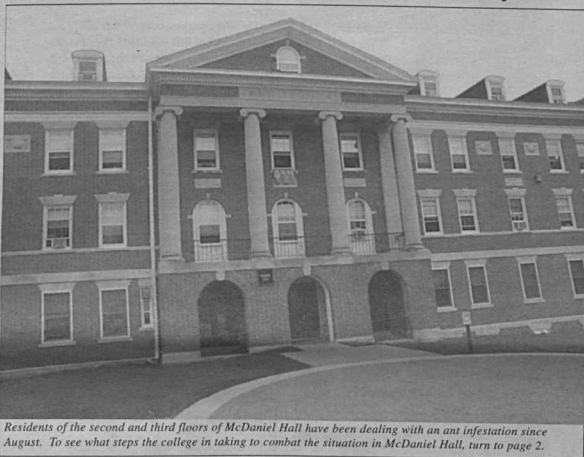
"We had a really good turnout," sophomore Chava Roth, publicity director said. "People were asking questions and seemed to be interested."

The organization has many activities planned this year. These include possible trips to conventions, more guest speakers on campus and the continuation of an active collaboration with the Carroll County Democrats.

"If they need help, they give us a call," Roth said.

Chaney and co-president and secretary Carrie Vivian revived the group a few years ago.

This election season, the Democrats are busy with local campaigns. They spent primary election day camped at the polls at West Middle School, walked in the Fall Festival parade with Robert Wack's entourage and have been busy



Residents of the second and third floors of McDaniel Hall have been dealing with an ant infestation since August. To see what steps the college is taking to combat the situation in McDaniel Hall, turn to page 2.

stuffing envelopes for various campaigns. Through their involvement with the Carroll County Democrats, the organization attended the annual Jefferson-Jackson dinner

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New recycling initiative successful in opening year

NICOLE GRIMM
Staff Writer

Recycling on campus is once again flourishing after years of having poor access to the facilities.

The SGA in conjunction with the Dean of Student Affairs, Philip Sayre and the administration strived to improve the student access to recycling facilities, and their efforts have paid off tremendously so far.

This year, the Residence Life Staff has ensured that large bottle and can recycling receptacles can be found in every hallway in most resident's hall, as well as boxes for paper recycling.

Due to the convenience of the recycling bins, students have become more avid recyclers, due mainly to the fact that they no longer have to hike down to the basement floor of their building to dispose of their cans and bottles.

To help distinguish between the trash and recycling bags, the trash bags are dark and the recycling bags are clear.

This factor also makes it easy for the Residence Life Staff, who regularly take the recycling to the

main receptacles, located behind Smith House.

The new recycling plan went into action during late April of the last school year.

Over \$2,000 worth of recycling totters were purchased in order to assure that every floor of a residence hall had the convenience of recycling as well as heighten awareness about the importance of recycling.

Mel Waylon, head of House Keeping Services, told Sayre that the percentage of trash that is being recycled is much higher than last year.

Sayre added, "I am delighted that students have responded by using the recycling bins. It is an important act of our civic duty that we recycle."

In the 1980s, the school had a very good recycling reputation within the community, however in the nineties this started to decline. The students were unsure about how to distinguish between trash and recycling receptacles, and more often than not, the two were mixed.

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Candidate for Carroll County Commissioner speaks on campus

LEROY McDUFFIE
News Editor

Jeannie Nichols, one of those running for the office of Carroll County Commissioner, visited McDaniel College to speak on her upcoming election.

Nichols came to McDaniel on the invitation of the McDaniel College Democrats. This upcoming election would be Nichols' first county-wide election.

Nichols grew up in Baltimore County and attended the University of Maryland at College Park. Nichols explained that while attending college, she was not interested much in politics. However, the closing of a local library in her community sparked her interest in politics.

After her college education was complete, Nichols moved to Carroll County and began to question how the county was being run.

Nichols says that her campaign is based on "Change." Some of her goals if she becomes elected as Carroll County Commissioner would be to solve the zoning problems in the county, as well as making sure that the school system is properly funded. Nichols also talked about how her campaign is managed.

Nichols explained that at the very start of her campaign, one of her consultants told her that she would need at least sixty-thousand dollars to win the election. Nichols

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Recycling program is a success

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The recycling bins in the past were becoming contaminated with trash, and eventually the whole purpose of recycling became defeated.

As the school year presses on, both Sayre and the SGA are optimistic that the recycling program will remain strong.

An advocate for the improvement of recycling, SGA President Jamin Bartolomeo, concluded, "I am very pleased with the recycling program and I am glad to see we are back on track. With the current drought, this will help us continue to improve the environment."

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Invading ants remain problem for residents of McDaniel Hall

KATIE CHAMPION
Assistant News Editor

Small, red ants seem to be invading the second and third floors of McDaniel Hall this year. Though Residence Life has been working to improve the situation since August, the ants continue to be a problem.

The first complaints of the ant problem resulted in two housekeeping ladies spraying ant killer in the rooms from a small can. After this proved ineffective, Residence Life called in an outside, professional exterminator.

"There is a problem every year with ants in McDaniel, but this is usually because we have young campers who are not good about wrapping up their food," Residence Life Coordinator Shonda Wilson said. "However, this summer, the building was vacant so we are still unsure of where they are coming from."

While ants and other pests are common in dorm rooms because of left out food or dirty clothing, red ants or fire ants are not drawn to those conditions.

According to the Red Imported Fire Ant Information (RIFA) website, fire ants usually form colonies outdoors in athletic fields or other dry areas. However, these ants sometimes forage indoors for food and mois-

ture, during the hot and dry summer months. "Entire colonies occasionally nest in wall voids or rafters, sometimes moving into buildings during floods," RIFA said. Though not harmful to people or pets, they are a nuisance.

More than a month has passed since residents moved in and the problem was discov-

"They are all around my computer and I'm worried that they will get inside and mess everything up. Am I supposed to tell my professor that my paper isn't done because of some ants? I don't think so." - junior Megan Jordan

ered.

Campus workers have sprayed numerous times and set out traps for the ants that did not seem to be working.

Residence Life turned to Terminix who was also not able to get the problem under control. Over the past two weeks, the campus has hired Orkin to spray various areas of the entire campus in an effort to stop the ants. They have been spraying every Wednesday in rooms still having the problem as well as common areas.

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College Democrats prepared for busy election season

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free of charge in recognition of their efforts. Selected members of the democrats have also been attending central committee meetings to get a taste of politics.

The group is trying to get more campus involvement through the guest speakers. Officers are working hard distributing flyers and attracting potential guest speakers. Last Wednesday, Jeannie Nichols, candidate for Carroll County Commissioner spoke on campus.

The organization plans to be more active this year than in the past through fund raising plans such as raffles and donut sales. Already this semester, the College Democrats have campaigned for various local can-

didates.

They have worked hard making posters, carrying signs, passing out buttons and bumper stickers and knocking on doors.

The group's website, created by Roth, is in the beginning stages.

It has basic contacts for the organization, the mission statement, descriptions of past activities and links to various campaigns. Pictures of the officers in action will appear soon.

"We hope that it [the website] will get more people involved," Roth said.

If you are interested in joining the group or volunteering with a campaign project, visit the website at <http://www.geocities.com/mcdanielcollegedemocrats/> McDanielCollegeDemocrats.html.

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ATHLETICS

Alumni Wrestling Match - 11 a.m.
Green Terror Volleyball Tournament - TBA
Alumni Field Hockey Game - 12 noon
Green Terror Football vs. Dickinson - 1 p.m.

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8 p.m. - near Gill Gym

Ants infest McDaniel Hall Rooms

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RLC Wilson has made personal attempts to kill the ants.

"I've bought sprays and traps," Wilson said. "They seem to work for a little while but then the problem returns."

Residence Life and Orkin are now experimenting with a special gel that allegedly attracts the ants. The ants then carry the gel back to their colonies where it kills the rest of the colony. They are using this heavily in the basement in an effort to stop the ants from entering the building and getting up to the resident floors.

Residents are fed up with the problem.

"I'll be studying on top of my bed and find an ant crawling up my arm," junior resident Krysti Durcholz said. "It's just disturbing."

The ants seem to be spreading from the ground floors of the building. The first and fourth floors have reported only a few cases while the problem seems the worst on the second and third floors.

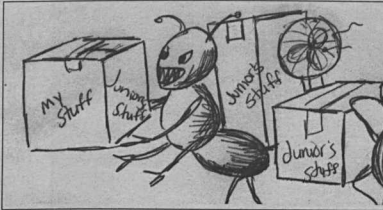
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Residence Life suspects that the problem may be a result of the pipeline digging between Whiteford and Blanche halls but is still unsure. Workers may have stirred up the colonies in the dry dirt where red ants are most comfortable.

Today, Orkin will return to spray the bathrooms and common rooms of McDaniel Hall.



Candidate believes that a Democrat can win Carroll County

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does not believe in campaign with bumper-stickers and huge posters. Rather than put money into big signs and flashy posters, Nichols believes in going door-to-door and meets the people that she may be representing.

She believes in networking and going out to various communities and finding out what concerns people have in Carroll County.

Although Carroll County is normally a Republican stronghold, Nichols says that, "I believe a Democrat can win in Carroll County."

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8/24/2002: McDaniel Hall, student found some CDS paraphernalia in his closet during move in.

8/25/2002: 3:50 a.m., PA Avenue house, Report of student being urinated on.

8/27/2002: Lewis Recitation Hall, two unknown, non-student males were trying to sell framed art to different departments.

8/28/2002: 2:18 a.m., Stadium Drive, while exiting the lower entryway to ANW parking lot, a Dodge Aries vehicle struck a grey Honda Civic traveling northbound, pushing the Civic into a parked Toyota Corolla.

8/29/2002: 8:30 a.m., Harrison Parking Lot, student left wallet on top of vehicle and it was taken.

8/29/2002: 11:30 p.m., Rouzer Hall, underage student found possessing 2 cases of beer in dry dorm.

8/30/2002: 10:30 p.m., Golf course, Ravens equipment area breached and gator was found outside area.

8/31/2002: 11:00 p.m., Whiteford Hall, students pictures posted on bulletin board were marked with race-related statements.

9/01/2002: 2:02 a.m., Blanche Ward Hall, Female was observed in lobby with a can of Bud light beer, she was asked to dump the beer and informed of her pending write-up.

9/02/2002: 1:00 a.m., Penn. Avenue House, someone got into the refrigerator and took some food and beer without permission.

9/04/2002: 8:00 a.m., Rouzer Hall, a physical altercation between roommates occurred

in their room, RLC Cook was notified and met with both residents.

9/15/2002: 2:30 a.m., Sexual offense, student was forced to perform sexual acts against her will.

9/17/2002: 3:27 a.m., Blanche Ward Hall, unknown subject broke the glass in the vending machine.

9/20/2002: 5:00 p.m., Rouzer Hall, student reported his room was broken into while he was off campus. Various personal items were stolen and his room was trashed. Nothing has been recovered.

9/21/02: Levine Hall, Subjects was observed walking toward the stairs leading to the Alumni stairwell with two clear plastic cups in hand, subject was stopped and a trespass notice issued due to a prior incident in Bair Stadium.

9/21/02: 11:20 p.m., Students and non-students engaged in fight in Whiteford parking lot. Non-students asked to leave the campus.

9/21/02: 11:50 p.m., Fracas in Blanche Ward Hall. One student claimed to be hit in the face. Suspect left area and was found in room and later interviewed by DoCS. No criminal charges at this time.

9/21/02: 12:34 a.m., Flashing lights and fire alarm reported going off in McDaniel House. A check was done but nothing found. Follow-up of system will be conducted.

9/22/02: 1:00 a.m., Report of student and non-student fighting.

9/23/02: 7:40 a.m., Fire in garbage can in McDaniel Hall. Pillow found smoldering, no evidence of cause.

9/26/02: 8:10 a.m., Personal items taken from vehicle near tennis courts.

9/28/02: 11:24 p.m., Former student found trespassing on campus given a trespassing notice and asked to leave.

9/29/02: 12:20 a.m., Student found in Blanche Ward Hall who is banned from campus residence halls.

9/29/02: 12:40 a.m., A group of non-students acting suspicious on Stadium Drive. Started running after spotting DoCS vehicle. Several got away but four were caught. Three cooperated but one was arrested for disorderly conduct. Westminster Police found paraphernalia one him. all received trespassing notices.

9/29/02: 1:38 a.m., Large fight between students and non-students at the end of the BSU clubroom party. Approximately 15 - 20 people were involved.

9/29/02: 9:05 p.m., Student discharged a fire extinguisher into a dryer on the second floor of Blanche Ward Hall.

9/30/02: 1:05 p.m., Fire alarm sounded after food was burned in microwave in Garden Apartments.

10/5/02: 3:14 a.m., Student set off fire alarm in PA Avenue house while cooking.

10/6/02: 1:10 a.m., Fight between students and non-students in Harrison parking lot. Non-students given trespassing notices.

10/6/02: 4:15 p.m., Non-student juveniles found skateboarding in Gunn Plaza. One has been warned before. One started to run and was disorderly. One received first warning.

10/6/02: 11:00 p.m., Complaint of possible domestic dispute on campus by PA Avenue resident.

College Activities Office to Host Leadership Workshops

The McDaniel College Activities Office will be sponsoring a Leadership Development series "Paths to Leadership" this fall.

- "Confronting Your Peers" will be held on Wednesday, October 16 at 5 p.m. in the Leidy Room. The seminar will be conducted by Residence Life Coordinator Erica Bowman and Liz Towle, Associate Dean of Student Affairs. Those who register by 12 noon on Wednesday, October 16 will enjoy dinner from Classico. - "Money Management: Hints, Tips and Ideas" will be held on Tuesday, October 29 at 12 noon in the Freeman Room. Mary Jo Colbert, Director of Conference Services and Betsy Chimock, Assistant Director of College Activities will be hosting this workshop. Those who register by 12 noon on Monday, October 28 will enjoy lunch from Forbidden City.

- "Inclusive Leadership" workshop will be held on Thursday, November 14 at 12 noon in the Leidy Room. Zephia Bryant, Director of Multicultural Services will host the event. Those who register by 12 noon on Wednesday, November 13 will enjoy lunch from Ledo's Restaurant.

Register Now!! Space is limited to 25 participants per workshop. Workshops last for approximately 60 minutes and are held in either the Leidy or Freeman rooms in Decker College Center, beginning at the times listed. To register for any of the Paths workshops or to learn more about McDaniel College's leadership programs, contact the College Activities Office at ext. 2266 or send an email to leader@mcdaniel.edu.

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Ethernet expertise from an amateur's point-of-view

Tara Dellafranzia presents some advice for frustrated ethernet users.

In the beginning, there is your computer. And a cable (with connector, if you have a laptop).

It all fits together so snugly, and when you turn your computer on, cross your fingers and pray to the Gods and Goddesses of connectivity, things usually work out: you're on the internet via McDaniel's T1 line.

In case it doesn't work out the first time, Information Services helps—they even provide a user guide complete with an FAQ troubleshooting section.

While this guide is helpful in distinguishing between a PPP adapter number and that of the ethernet adapter, it's missing certain things.

Here are a few questions I would like the FAQ in that lovely booklet to answer: Why does my computer freeze but only when connected to the network?

Now that I've moved the sardonically deemed AOL program and its adapter from my computer, why is my computer freezing?

If the network is giving me viruses, does that make me an internet whore?

At first, I asked these questions politely and without mention of the word "whore." After I got a virus, I was finally able to receive a reply from a woman who simply wanted to "know if you're up and running."

While I do not know the answer to many of these questions, I did receive help from someone who does: off campus, of course.

This professional who probably makes at least three times as much as we spend on tuition yearly, explained the problems.

He said they might be common problems on the school's network.

I trusted his advice, because when I hooked up my computer to his cable modem network for days on end, there were no errors or frozen screens.

Here's what our school's ethernet people either don't know or are too busy to tell us:

The most common problem on our school's network is traffic. Students frequently complain that

there is nothing to do here on the weekends but party, sleep, or surf the internet.

Some of us manage to do all three in the same day, so that adds to the traffic.

There is simply not enough bandwidth allowed for all the people that are trying to access the net. Perhaps it's time to upgrade by adding another T1.

The most common problem on our school's network is traffic. Students frequently complain that there is nothing to do here on the weekends but party, sleep, or surf the internet.

Even with the diminishing use of Napster-like programs (mostly by the people that don't know about winmx.com), there is still not enough bandwidth.

This is most frustrating when one is trying to do actual research for academic purposes, but is also bothersome when surfing for leisure and pleasure.

Would you want to look at porn or even play the more innocent Yahoo! Games without graphics?

It kind of zaps the fun away. Symptoms of congestion on our inadequate network include: missing pictures on fully loaded pages, DNS error pages, and very slow response time.

Another thing that the school's network seems to be doing is reassigning IP addresses.

When you sign onto the network, the school's server assigns you an IP address.

For some reason, our school's system randomly takes them away and assigns them to someone else. This is bad.

The major symptom of IP reassignment is a failed connection or an IP configuration error message. For this, you pretty much have to wait it out until you get your IP

address back or have the luck of logging on with someone else's. By the way, it is illegal to reclaim a stolen IP address—it has been tried.

A common problem with all networks is viruses and the spreading thereof.

With major file sharing going on, our booklet rightfully warns us not to share files or download anything fishy or weird.

With the amount of fake-out porn type hotmail messages received per login, not downloading one of these is nearly impossible. However, we were warned.

In case you are dumb like me and had a folder shared from over the summer, you will find that the school's network will quickly populate your system with a common nimda virus.

These things specialize in traversing a network, and although ours is supposedly scanned periodically for viruses, it took me having to notify the ethernet people of the virus several times before I figured out that the virus was being re-populated each time I connected.

I am not willing to risk leaving my computer shared on the network again to see if the nimda virus is still there, but any courageous net-surfing soul with a motherboard to fry should give it a try.

Lastly, what do you do if you have a problem?

Well, you call the ever-popular x8778, which brings you to a recorded message that may as well be a computer itself.

It pedantically explains how to leave a message and to speak slowly, because the message must be transcribed.

One can only call and seek advice so many times before messages become annoyed, and then angry.

Still don't know why my computer freezes every few hours it is connected to the ethernet.

But hey, I've shared my ethernet FAQ expertise with you, perhaps someone out there in the land of greater intelligence may have an answer.

~Tara Dellafranzia is a senior English major.

Is the world truly civilized at all?

Colby Goodrum questions the political and religious strife in the Middle East.

In today's world it is impossible to not be aware of foreign affairs. Since it is impossible to be unaware of foreign affairs, we all know that at the center of the international debate right now is Iraq.

However, Iraq just falls into the broader problem of the Middle East, like the Israeli/Palestinian conflict, which is something that most people are probably familiar with. Myself being included in those people, I have my own opinions on the subject, as I am sure we all do.

As an observer of the situation between Israel and Palestine, I have come to a few conclusions, some of which are probably a little simplistic, but I am just an ordinary person trying to make sense of this all.

I think the United States' support of Israel politically, economically, and most of all militarily, is entirely too one-sided in regards to the Palestinians. I also believe that, for a country that claims to support human rights and this idea of equality for all, we are not doing enough when the Palestinian unemployment rate is 48%.

Anyway, enough of all the talk about the problems of the Middle East, we all know the problems at hand: Israel and Palestine need figure out a way coexist, and everyone could do without Saddam Hussein. What I have tried to figure out over and over again, with little success, is why in the hell is this such a big problem? Well, not why it is a problem, the problem is that the Arabs don't recognize the Israelis, and the Israelis seem to think the solution is to colonize Palestine.

The issue has become political, but it is based on religious grounds. I am not a particularly religious person (although I went to Catholic school for twelve years), but I have no problem with different religious faiths.

I just do not see why other religions have such a hard time accepting another religion's imaginary friend.

A person may believe whole-

heartedly in a certain faith's divine message and its divinity, but you cannot see it, so in essence it is imaginary. The same thing was true when I was little and I had an imaginary friend.

Other people could not see my friend, and I could not see theirs, but we did not start beating each other up because are friends were different.

I wonder what it is going to take to figure all this out? The only thing I can come up with, given the way things are going now, is that we are going to have to have a time-share in the Middle East like your mom used to make you and your siblings have with a toy that everyone loved.

You know, Monday and Tuesday you could have the toy, and then Wednesday and Thursday your brother could have it, Friday and Saturday it was your sister's turn, and you alternated Sundays. Well, the same thing could be true for the Middle East. The Christians can have it for the first four months of the year, and the Jews can have it for the next four months, and then the Muslims can have it for the last four months.

However, this probably would not work either, because then they would probably fight over which religion had the best season to be in the Middle East and we would have to go through the same thing all over again.

If any of you have bothered to read this far into the article you may be wondering what my point is, or if I even have one. Well, I do.

My point is that the human race likes to think of itself as very civilized. We have organized groups of people, established governments, economies, social structures, and we have come up with such wonderful inventions as the pooper-scooper and the atom bomb.

Yet, with all the advancement we have made, we still have problems such as the Middle East. My question is very simple. Are we really that civilized?

~Colby Goodrum is a sophomore English-philosophy major.

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Glar leaves a bad taste in the mouth, if allergic

Kelsey Reichard points out discrepancies with Glar's intention to change.

Everyone complains about Glar, right? No big deal.

Ask any student around the country if he/she enjoys the cafeteria food in college and you will get the same answer.

The reasons are pretty similar, too—not enough variety, too fatty—they can ruin even the simple stuff.

So we complain that they don't serve spaghetti casserole and chicken tenders often enough, and that they got rid of the veggie taco meat that vegetarians relied on two years ago, and now we have to stand in line for a simple sandwich.

As if that weren't enough, I recently discovered that even the food that can be modified to meet our needs isn't allowed.

After searching Glar for something to eat that looked remotely appetizing, I went to see what they were serving at the wok station.

Mmmm, linguine with seafood Alfredo sauce. I'll try that.

By now we all know what goes into that wok: oil, a TON of garlic, vegetables like peppers and onions, the meat of that day, and then the plain sauce.

Being allergic to garlic I asked for one without.

The response I received was that they are not allowed to modify the food in any way.

"Are you serious?" I asked, "I'm allergic to garlic. I can't eat that."

"I'm sorry," was the answer I got, "I'm not allowed to leave anything out."

So I walked away, got a peanut butter and jelly sandwich, and sat down.

Then it occurred to me.

What if I was a vegetarian and only wanted the sauce with peppers and onions, no seafood?

Make sure you have your facts straight when writing

The Phoenix Editorial Staff apologizes to the employees of Student Health Services

We would like to begin this article by apologizing to the employees at Student Health Services for some opinions that were placed in the Phoenix's last edition, since it was brought to our attention that some of the opinions in the article were factually wrong and taken out of context.

The employees at Student Health Services work extremely hard, both on campus and in the community and do not deserve such criticism, in fact they deserve praise for providing a quality service to the campus in a less than ideal setting.

Smith House, the building they are located in, was damaged last year because of a fire, and really is not large enough to accommodate the wide range of medical services that they provide - yet they still do.

Furthermore, there are not enough employees working at Student Health Services to attend to every student on campus - yet they still find a way.

The people who work there are not faceless robots without feeling, and when articles are written of that nature, it can hurt - as in this case, where it did.

Considering that there isn't much else that is vegetarian in Glar, that really narrows my options.

Or if I were just a really picky eater, I could pick out all the stuff I don't want, but that is such a waste of food.

Why is our cafeteria, a professional food

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business, consciously wasting all that food?

There are signs everywhere telling us not to take too much, you can always come back for more, but the wok lady isn't allowed to leave out something that we don't want, just so we can pick it out and throw it away.

The other thought that occurred to me is that Sodexho Marriott is a chain in the food industry, just like Applebee's and Ruby Tuesday.

Well, when you go to Applebee's and ask for no lettuce or tomato on your burger, the waitress doesn't tell you that the cook has to put it on there and you can pick it off yourself if you don't want it.

That's because we are paying money to get what we want.

If we have all paid about \$7 a meal to eat at our school cafeteria run by Sodexho Marriott, I don't see why we can't get our food exactly how we want it.

We should not have to waste the time or the food picking onions out of the stir-fry, or lettuce and tomato off the loafer sandwiches, and they certainly should cater to needs such as allergies or being a vegetarian.

~Kelsey Reichard is a senior communication major.

There is a greater message to this article and that message is that sometimes we should be quicker to praise than we are to criticize, and unless you are educated enough on a topic, you should stop and understand all sides of a matter before rushing to be critical.

Another thing worth considering when writing a negative commentary is the greater good you are actually promoting in the community.

Is the article actually constructive, offering reasonable and fair suggestions or is it just a grocery list of complaints without solution?

In our case, we really do want to offer a workable solution to this ethical quandary—consider some of these ideas when composing your commentary.

We really do not want to discourage writers from submitting articles, in fact, we want to encourage writers to do so - because expressing one's opinion is everyone's right.

However, not everything has to be a complaint and, certainly unwarranted complaints are unacceptable.

So again, we apologize to the employees of Student Health Services and would also like to thank them for their hard work under sometimes very trying conditions.

Internships get your foot in the door

Staci George gives sound advice in choosing an internship to further career options.

There are many things to complain about here on campus, and no one is afraid to voice their disgruntlements. But there comes a point when too much pessimism consumes our ability to stay focused on the end goal, which is the true meaning of a college education.

Don't let four years of inconveniences be the obstacle that hinders you from getting that ideal job, writing the next great American novel, finding the cure to some of the world's many diseases, or living what you consider to be the epitome of the American Dream.

Find something that will channel your grievances elsewhere so that you can really be future-oriented rather than embittered. I suggest finding an internship that interests you. During the summer, I did a program in Washington, D.C., where I got to intern at USA Today.

Instead of taking another class in the confines of Hill Hall, D.C. was my classroom, many journalists were my professors, and a select few like Jack Kelley, a USA Today foreign correspondent, became my mentors.

As an intern, one realizes if this really is the career they want.

Sure, you may get all A's in your pre-med classes like Biology, Chemistry, and Anatomy, but that does not prevent you from a fear of needles or getting nauseous at the sight of blood.

Through an internship at a hospital, you might realize that you were not cut out for the Emergency Room, but rather a laboratory.

Additionally, you get to network and establish contacts that may prove useful when you get that diploma (which will either say McDaniel College or Western Maryland College, it's up to you to decide) and your cutesy campus mail cards are replaced by the never-ending stack of student loan bills that await you in the mailbox at your new residency.

Let's face the truth. The economy is suffering and jobs are scarce.

An internship gets your foot in door and may lead to employment when someone quits or more jobs are created. Ideally, all seniors, and myself included, would like to have a job secured by the time they cross the threshold to receive their diploma.

No matter what reason intrigues you the most, all are good reasons to do research and find internship listings that sound fulfilling.

Professors are always eager to meet with students and discuss internship possibilities. And they feel like they have contributed to your education when you ask for their letter of recommendation. So why not consider an internship this Jan-term rather than staying on campus complaining about how none of your friends are around and there is nothing to do but complain and be bitter each day?

Think of it this way, what you may find to complain about during Jan-Term will still be there when the spring semester begins. And you have the rest of your life to be bitter.

~Staci George is a senior communications major.

Sorority recruitment plays important, developmental role

As another sorority recruitment draws to a close one can only sit back and breathe and ponder over the past weeks.

As I sit back and do this I am thankful. I am honestly pleased with the quality of the women who went through recruitment this fall.

However, I am disappointed in the quantity that signed up.

There has never been so few women involved in recruitment in the four years I have attended this college. So then you wonder what are we doing wrong?

As a senior member of Phi Sigma Sigma I am worried what will happen to our girls after about 17 of us graduate this year and our numbers decrease rapidly as a result.

If we can't get more women interested in sorority life the outcome will be sad I am sure and I want to be able to come back at homecoming for years to come and still see us going strong, and not only Phi

Sig, but every sorority on campus.

After realizing the problem we are faced with I decided to find a way to do something about it and since I have written for the paper for awhile now, I thought I would



Donna Hurd

write this story.

Hope that somewhere out there someone might read it and get interested in finding out more about what sorority life is really like.

First off, we are not just a group

of girls that get drunk and party all the time.

I know that sororities sometimes get stuck with this stereotype but it just isn't true.

We are not snobs and we don't all hate the other sororities just because they are not in the same one we are. What we are is a group of friends that love each other and are always there for a shoulder to cry on.

What we are, is a band of women who have learned to live with one another and accept our differences and similarities in a closeness that makes us sisters.

What we are is a bunch of girls that provide service to the community and each other.

We are not all perfect. We are of every shape and size and yet we somehow all fit together to make our college experiences brighter

then they ever could have been before we joined. We share laughter and tears and those special mo-

ments that words just can't explain.

We help define the woman each one of us will some day be as every day we learn from one an-

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other.

We grow together, we have fun together, we argue together, but most importantly we are together.

There is a quote that someone once said to me that is very true. It goes something like, "from the outside looking in one could never un-

derstand, but from the inside looking out one could never explain."

These women that I have grown to respect and cherish will be the ones to celebrate all the joys of my life with as I enter into the "real" world.

They will be there when I get that first job, get engaged, married, or have that first child. Heck they will be in the bridal party and at the first birthday party my son/daughter will ever have.

They are friends for life.

If you want to be part of something that makes you feel whole then give sorority life a shot. Sign up for recruitment in the Spring.

If you find that Greek life just isn't for you that is fine, at least you gave it a fair chance.

However, you just may find a place to belong to and a lifetime of smiles and warm embraces.

~Donna Hurd is a senior English major.

Job market is seemingly nonexistent in Westminster

The typical college student is poor and dependent on mommy and daddy for money.

All right, maybe not the typical one. There are a few of us hard workers left out there.

But for those of us who may be



Erin Romanski

struggling to rub a couple of pennies together to get a decent meal on the weekends, or wondering how they're going to pay for holi-

day gifts this year for their 22 closest friends and family, this gripe's for you. All summer long you juggle a balance of part-time job, summer classes, possibly full-time job, internship, vacation with the family, and road trips to visit friends from school.

You anticipate this from the start of the summer, knowing full well that by August 28, you will grapple with the realization that you did not save anywhere near what you had hoped to save before school starts again.

Ugh, that sinking feeling of dread in the pit of your stomach.

Thought this was going to be an easy semester, eh?

Only 16 credits to worry about, maybe you'll join yet another extracurricular with your free time.

But wait, did you actually look at your check book this week? That's right, time to start looking for a part-time job if you don't want

to have to sell grapefruits at intersections, bucks.

First you think to yourself, maybe I'll get something on-campus. Don't have to worry about the parking spot I won't have when I get back, because I can just walk to my place of employment.

Well, unless you're comfortable with making minimum wage and getting paid just once a month, I'd say this may not be a suggestion for you. That, and unless you are fortunate enough to have participated in work study the year prior, you're gonna have to take a number, because those positions go fast.

Next option. Driving aimlessly around Westminster, in the attempt to locate a NOW HIRING sign- you are immediately shut down.

Giving these establishments the benefit of the doubt, you wander around stores in the oh-so-huge Town Mall, and are greeted with "I'm sorry, we're not looking for

anyone right now. We've rehired our old staff. Come back again in two months for the holiday sea-

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son."

Okay, well I guess being October, it's the season to go back and look for a job.

But then that stark realization come mid-December dawns on you that when you return from winter break, you may not be employed.

Your job was a seasonal one,

duh. Back to the drawing board.

Well, we already know how well the job search went locally.

Maybe you've attempted Owings Mills. Ah, yes.

You will probably find something there, however, the gas money you will use to drive back and forth may counteract any income you receive.

Are you basically screwed? I'm not suggesting you call mommy and daddy to bail you out. Maybe I'm suggesting you transfer. Seems to have worked for half the student population so far.

Nah, I guess I'm telling you that this is just one of those aspects of college life that we will look back on 10 years from now and think, "Wow, I truly was a broke college student."

Join the club.

~Erin Romanski is a junior English major



Library should be used for studying purposes, not social bonding time

Tim Mascari discusses student's misconception of library use as a form of social gathering.

On Saturday September 28 Dr. Ira Zepp Jr, professor of Religious Studies emeritus, delivered an uplifting speech exploring his personal observations of change and continuity in life, in history, and at McDaniel College.

His speech is posted on the College's website if you would like to read it.

In part of his speech Ira talks about administrative risk-taking, sacrifice, and courage during periods of uncertainty with references to specific McDaniel presidents.

So I started to think if there was anything we as students could do or change that would better the institution while this name change ordeal blows over.

I thought we could change the library etiquette of McDaniel students.

When I first read Ira's speech I was in Hoover Library's first-floor computer lab. Well when I finished reading I started to

A library is supposed to be an icon of higher education, not a social hangout-if you need to converse with someone you can use the commons.

brainstorm en route to my usual study booth located in the depths of Hoover's basement. I proceeded straight through the rotunda until I reached the alcove on the left immediately following the elevator.

There I paused.

Seated in the four-table alcove were two students, just chattering away like they were in a bar or something.

They were laughing it up; just having a good ol' time over a topic completely unrelated to any academic subject.

I wasn't surprised or shocked.

I've walked passed those tables countless times to the hum of socializing students, but this time it hit me.

I shouldn't have to go to the basement just to get some peace and quiet.

Not in a library anyway.

Sure I have A.D.D. and the attention span of a gnat, but some student's library behavior I have witnessed isn't acceptable, regardless of your attention span.

I don't feel that there is any negative intent involved; some students are just inconsiderate.

They forget where they are sometimes, and in my experience if you ask them nicely to keep it quiet, they will.

This sounds simple enough, but there is a little more to it than that.

Take someone who is a little shy, maybe a freshman who feels intimidated for some reason.

If they don't have the nerve to tell someone to be quiet than the only other option is to move, and that's not fair.

Why shouldn't the loud mouth who uses the book as a paperweight be forced to relocate?

Sometimes you can tell someone to be quiet and they'll listen, but 15 minutes later

they'll start back up again and than what do you do?

Other students don't just forget where they are—they never knew, perhaps because of a relaxed high school library policy.

These are the kind of people that think of a library as a Barnes & Noble or Borders Bookstore.

We should be able to hold our own with the etiquette, and class we display while frequenting our library.

A library is supposed to be an icon of higher education, not a social hangout-if you need to converse with someone you can use the commons.

Some people have been using the aforementioned alcove on the first floor for group study - it's not - voices carry.

If you're participating in a study group you should use the designated group study areas.

Say you're quiet while in the process studying; it's very easy to forget when walking to and from your chosen study area.

So please be considerate of your peers than too.

Another problem plaguing Hoover is its use by sports teams for mandatory study hall. While on the surface this sounds like a great idea, in practice it can be quite distracting.

It seems a lot of these athletes don't really want to be there in the first place and end up socializing instead of studying.

This is something the Athletic Director needs to address.

If he thinks he is doing his players a service by demanding mandatory study time, he needs to think again.

For those of us who go to the library to actually, "gasp," crack a book, we don't appreciate the distractions.

While we cannot compare Hoover Library with the likes of the New York Public Library or the Francis Loeb Library we should be able to compare the mindset which one carries into the building.

We should be able to hold our own with the etiquette, and class we display while frequenting our library.

In the midst of Ira's reflections he poses this question:

"What new challenges will force us to think outside the box, to expand the canon, while holding firm to the classical virtues of truth, goodness, beauty, an the historical values of freedom, equality, and justice . . ."

Well here's your first challenge.

Hoover should be a sacred place, not like Big Baker Chapel, but in its own right.

We all know that Hoover isn't the best small liberal arts college library, but it's the one some of us need to research and study in.

So please try to treat it, and your peers with some respect. Maybe then you'll receive the same respect when you really need a quiet place to open a book.

~Tim Mascari is a senior history major.

A tribute to some of McDaniel's heroes

As fellow Baltimore native H.L. Mencken once said, I have always felt the job of a journalist was to comfort the afflicted while afflicting the comfortable. But, since I am not really a journalist in any manner of speaking, I have never been able to pull this off with any sort of grace. Because of this disturbing fact, I have decided to, yet again, discuss a matter that is very important to me with hopes that it will be understood by as many of you as possible.

All the same, now would probably be a good time to send the kids to bed and hide your small pets, just in case.

Since September 11, 2001, Americans everywhere have done a lot of talking about heroes: those who walk among us mostly unseen only to change our lives, or at least how we view the world, forever.

This, the more I think about it, is a concept that I can apply to my college career. Not that I have my life saved from the grips of death daily or around here, but I truly think there are those among us on this campus that have made the past three years of my life entirely more livable and enjoyable, not to mention altogether quite enlightening. So, as is frequently my style, here is a meandering, and yet incomplete, list of such people.

If we are going to go about this chronologically, I must first mention my Spanish 1101 professor, Dr. Chavez, who is, if memory serves, currently a professor of Theology at Bowie State. While I was never exactly a stellar Spanish student, Dr. Chavez always took the time to see me as a struggling student, not just as some punk slacker (which, of course, are my true colors).

Not only did he teach me a lot of about the meaning of struggling until the bitter end, a skill I still utilize to this very day, but he didn't fail me. I've always thought that was great of him.

Jumping forward a bit, when I needed advice sophomore year regarding housing issues—Dean Phil Sayre answered the call: both literally and otherwise.

Not only did he respect my concerns, but incorporated my suggestions when decisions had to be made. Although the fall semester of my sophomore year seems like ages ago now, and I honestly don't talk to Dean Sayre as much as I would like to anymore, I've never forgotten how he came through for a student in need.

Two other people that jump to mind are those who, much like Dr. Chavez and Dean Sayre, took the time to get to know me and thereby changed my way of thinking. Last

semester, when the whole campus was screaming anarchy (myself included) over the looming name change, I ran into Dean Ethan



Mike Wiles

Seidel at the local Safeway at around 10:30 one night. Not only did he approach me first, but his first question was an inquiry about my parents, who he met when they were students here over 30 years ago.

From there, he asked what they, as well as myself, thought about the name change, and he and I stood in front of Safeway for about fifteen minutes discussing the matter. In the end, while he and I shared different views on the subject, it was that night I realized it doesn't matter what you call this place; with people like Dean Seidel supporting it, we'll all be just fine.

Dr. Hebert Smith, a great professor and all around hell of a guy, is the other example of someone whose words have effected my outlook on life. In his case, he has often supported my manner of thinking with his own, and thereby helping me become more confident in my beliefs.

Time and time again, Dr. Smith has gone out of his way to tell me how much he enjoys my editorials not only on a humorous level, but also on a personal level.

Telling me that my writing reminds him of something he would have written at my age is just about the biggest compliment I could receive from him, and it has helped me stay the course over the years.

Bottom line? None of us are really alone, nor would any of us ever truly want to be. I think it is important to step back every once and a while and examine the impact that other have on our lives, and, in a society that prizes the villains over heroes, give the good guys their due. Thanks.

~Mike Wiles is a senior English major.

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Quiet!! I hear "Voices: Conversations with Joan of Arc"

LAURA PETERSON

Staff Writer

Giving off the smell of fresh buttered popcorn, Alumni Hall invited audiences to watch "Voices: Conversations with Joan of Arc," presented by the McDaniel College Theater Arts Department.

From October 3 to October 6, five dollars covered the cost of a ticket for the eight o'clock showing.

With complex set design and elaborate costumes, many audience members were surprised at the modern twist on a historical story.

"It was an interesting mix," McDaniel college freshman Lexi Dantzig commented. "Very cool, elaborate costumes."

Head of the McDaniel College theater department, Ira Domser directed and designed sets for "Voices."

As head of the McDaniel College theater department and co-founder and producer of Theater on the Hill since 1983, Domser is a theater veteran.

Combining the plots and styles of Jean Anouilh's "The Lark," George Bernard Shaw's "St. Joan," and Mark Twain's "Joan of Arc," Domser formed the play "Voices."

"I liked elements of all three,"

Domser explained. "Joan is a fascinating character."

Christina Allen, who played the title role of Joan, made her theatrical debut in "Voices."

Previously a student at the Baltimore School for the Arts, Allen graduated with a major in classical voice.

Even though this was Allen's first play, she has sung opera before.

"It was Andrew Pecoraro's idea, he told me, 'I think you should try out for this play,'" Allen explained. "I was thinking about trying out for 'Three Penny Opera' and so I wanted to see how an audition went."

Andrew Pecoraro, a theater major at McDaniel College, played the role of Joan's father.

"Next thing I knew I had the part of Joan, it was a total surprise," Allen laughed. "I almost had a heart attack."

Freshman Kaha Hashi attended "Voices" and enjoyed Allen's performance.

"I don't really know exactly how describe her," Hashi said. "She was very good, she performed very, very well."

Allen's favorite co-star was Jeff Goeller who played Charles.

"There were just so many talented people," Allen explained. "It was a lot of fun, it showed me all the possibilities that theater had to offer."

Between dialogues, choreographed interpretive dance breaks with gymnastic moves to techno music provided the audience with what Domser calls "three rings."

Influenced by a circus that originated in Quebec called the Cirque de Soliel, Domser combines many elements to give the audience a truly unique show that doesn't always focus on one situation.

"Lots of action, jumping, acrobatics, several different things going on at once," Domser explained. "I have attempted to make theater more theatrical."

With each character wearing a mask except for Joan and St. Catherine, Domser wanted to accomplish two goals.

"I wanted to use the masks to make this play less gender specific,

there were more women than men. I focus on talent, not gender," Domser explained. "We all wear masks, this also indicates that Joan didn't wear a mask. She didn't play games. The masks added a suggestion of truth and personality."

Having approximately five weeks to put "Voices" all together, Domser is very pleased with the

positive feedback he has received. "Techies," another original production, debuts November 20.

Domser is ready for yet another play.

"I do seven or eight plays a year. I have learned not to fall in love with your set, let it go," he smiled. "The auditions for 'Techies' is tonight!"



Want coffee with a twist? Pour me another one at "The Pour House"

ERIN ROMANSKI & JULIA KEENE
Commentary Editor & Junior Staff Writer

Pour Me Another One at "The Pour House"

Situated between Center Street and Sheetz is a pleasant addition to Main Street's otherwise random culmination of offices and quaint shops. The Pour House, as it is appropriately tagged, offers a welcome variety of life fare and beverages for the coffee connoisseur and the less adventurous tea drinkers alike.

Once inside the earthy coffee house, a foyer adorned with photographs by a local 16-year-old artist, Jordan Wilkerson, and flyers of upcoming performances by local musicians, leads to the ordering counter. Lining the walls is a menu of sandwiches, pastries, assorted desserts, coffee drinks, and even milkshakes and something for every taste bud.

We experimented with slightly different menu choices: a double moaccchino with a grilled cheddar and tomato sandwich, and a double caramel macchiato with turkey, swiss, and sliced apple on wheat. Both sandwiches were accompanied by fresh veggies and ranch sauce for dipping. For the moderate price, they were absolutely delicious.

The ambience is a cozy one,

mixed with modern accents here and there. A staircase leading up to a beauty salon called Hair Essentials, and a third floor private residence is located opposite the doorway when you first enter. Divided into three rooms of similar design, the coffee house is roomy enough for a large party and accommodating enough for couples and small groups.

To the immediate left of the entranceway is a room featuring lounge chairs and randomly placed tables with built-in checkerboards for parties of two and four. Backgammon, playing cards, and of course, checkers and chess are just a few of the games available to play while savoring your joe.

Along the shelves, candles, handcrafted mugs, coasters, and glazed trivets are displayed for sale.

There is even a computer terminal for internet access in the first room and the first room that offers a going rate of 15-60 minutes for a fee of \$3.00-8.00. Presumably, the astute businessperson and e-mail dependent college student could both appreciate the convenience of this feature.

Moving into the second room,

stained glass valances continue to line the windows, with tapered candles adding to that homey feel.

Faintly, the music switches between classical and new age, filtering the strategically placed speakers.

Overall, the color scheme is a mixture of warm pinks, greens, yellows, and purples. Providing an atmosphere of comfort and relaxation, even the Vice President of the Board of Trustees, Dolly Snyder herself, gave The Pour House a thumbs-up when we bumped into her and some of her friends during our lunch.

We especially liked the idea of recycling your "java jacket," so that after the eighth cup of coffee, you receive the ninth one free - any size. Plus, they only serve Free Trade coffee, which means that the farmers

who grow the coffee beans receive a fair price for their labors. Isn't it nice to know that someone is capable of being trendy and friendly to the environment all at the same time?

To best sum up the ideals of the

house.

Their motto is "A True Seattle Style Coffee House in the Heart of Downtown Westminster"

Stepping into the third and last room, also the location of a band staging area, crayons and coloring books are stacked on shorter tables to keep the kids occupied.

Truly, there is something to keep every man, woman, and child

occupied at this establishment that is not only a coffee shop, but also sells organic beauty supplies, hand-carved soaps, and Burt's beeswax.

The average crafty consumer would have a field day, but perhaps be perplexed by the five clocks that sit high above one of the bar tables, all displaying the time 10:10 without moving.

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To best sum up the ideals of the

coffeehouse, here is a quote from the "coffeehouses vindicated," printed in London, England in 1675, which borders the center room: "Here, for a penny or two, you may spend two or three hours, have the shelter of the house, the warmth of the fire, and the diversion of company."

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It's not too late!!

You can write the next restaurant review for The Phoenix.

If you're up for some good food, call ext. 8600 for more details.

MOVIE REVIEW:

"The Four Feathers" is NOT worth seeing

JENN BALLARD
Staff Writer

When I went to see "The Four Feathers" I was slightly apprehensive. Reviews for the movie ranged from "the next 'Lawrence of Arabia'" to "remade for seventh time, remains rot." (Charles Taylor)

The only thing this movie has in common with "Lawrence of Arabia" is the desert. If you are a person who likes seeing movies with a decent plot, a cast that can act and that moves relatively quickly this is not the movie for you.

Michael Schiffer and Hossein Amini adapted "The Four Feathers" from A.E.W. Mason's 1920s novel about British Imperialism, duty and honor, which is directed by Shekhar Kapur ("Elizabeth"). Heath Ledger plays Harry Faversham, a young military man newly engaged to be married when he and his friends are informed that they will be shipping out to fight Sudanese rebels. Right away the characters are unlikable.

I personally find it hard to enjoy a movie when I kept wishing they would hurry up and die so I could go to dinner. When Harry finds out that he will actually have to go fight, and maybe die, he resigns from the army. Nothing could make his fiancée Ethne happier than when Harry confesses he wants to stay in England because he loves her, until he shouts that his decision has nothing to do with her.

Then come the tears. Not hers, (he likes to cry, and does so throughout the movie) as he tearfully admits that he never wanted to be in the army in the first place. Harry then receives the feathers.

Three of his four best friends (and later Ethne) send him white feathers to show their

disapproval of his cowardice. Jack Durrance (Wes Bentley) is his only friend who stands by him. I was leery of Jack due to his obsession with Harry's fiancée and the excessive amount of staring he does at the two of them.

When his friends ship out and his fiancée and father renounce him, Harry decides to journey to the Sudan and prove to each of them that he is not the coward that they believe him to be. So begins his desert adventure quest to do good by each of his friends,

returning the feathers to them as he accomplishes his mission.

The two most irritating aspects of the film were Abou (Harry's desert guide) and the four white feathers. I think unless one slept through the film I believe most mov-

iegeers will understand the concept of the feathers so the constant repetition of 'Harry gets a sad look, pulls out the feathers, cries and touches them, then wraps them up again' gets really irritating. All the time he spends staring at the feathers would have been better spent developing the characters.

Poor Abou landed in a classic cliché - the native guide that finds the lost white boy in the nick of time. Though Abou (Dijimon Hounsou, "Amistad") gives a passable reason for assisting Harry, you can never quite understand the slavish extreme of his devotion and therefore comes off as rather random.

The scenery is beautiful and there are some scenes that are moving, but they can't tip the scales against the rest of the film that was pointless and boring. The true highlight of the film was the Braveheart-esq battle scene. The sheer magnitude of this scene due to number of soldiers on foot and horse back fighting it out in the desert was impressive.



GREEK CORNER

Congrats to the new ladies of sorority life

ADRIENNE GLICK
Staff Writer

The girls of Phi Sigma Sigma, Phi Alpha Mu, Phi Mu, and Alpha Nu Omega would like to thank all those who participated in the Fall 2002 Sorority Recruitment Program. We hope you enjoyed getting to know sisters and more about Greek life here on campus. Congratulations to the seventeen girls mentioned below. They comprise the new member classes as of the Bid Day Ceremony held in red square on September 27, 2002. Way to go girls!!

Phi Sigma Sigma Welcomes:

Christina Carbonetto
Jobi Larrick
Kristen Morrison
Tiffany Norquest
Whitney Waters

Phi Alpha Mu Welcomes:

Chrissy Dachtile
Leigh Gariques
Megan Simmons

Phi Mu Welcomes:

Chrissy Anderson
Jennifer Dumpert

Bayley Fannin
Kara Kunst

Alpha Nu Omega Welcomes:

Heather Nichols
Kristin Ramey
Heather Roberts
Liz Sexton
Angie Schmidt

"Sisterhood...learn it...live it...love it!"
-Greek 101 Fall 2002

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Phi Sigs are sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive this month and adding to the excitement of this Saturday's football game versus Muhlenburg with a ROCK-A-THON! Please come out and show your support! Sign-ups for blood donations are outside of glar and we will be rocking in red square from 2pm Friday afternoon through 2pm Saturday afternoon. Be sure to sponsor a sister!

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Exams and papers leaving you feeling a little stressed? Here what an expert said about relaxing

EMILY SEAL
Staff Writer

Two exams on Wednesday. One exam and a paper due Friday. A meeting Monday night and another on Thursday night. Even though we know it is coming, it always seems to slap us in the face when it arrives. That's right, it's midterm time. Does this schedule sound familiar to you?

Don't know what to do? You are not alone. It seems everyone I talk to has one week that they just never want to come because of the work load. So what do we do when the work piles up and we are under so much stress we don't know what to do?

Mindy McCord, instructor of the Relaxation Techniques class offered this month, has a few helpful tips. In order to manage

stress, she advises us to exercise for at least ten minutes each day, maintain a healthy diet, which includes limiting our caffeine intake (hard to imagine, right?), improve our time management skills, and surround ourselves with social support.

As far as relaxation techniques, Mindy advises us to focus on our breathing - close your eyes, take deep breaths, and clear your mind. Following this, tense and relax each muscle in your body. Visualization is another relaxation technique that Mindy offers. Visualize what you want to happen, such as receiving an "A" on a test.

Finally, she tells us to make use of clear communication as a

way to maintain healthy relationships during this stressful time. Hopefully these tips will help us to make it through these next few weeks with a little less stress.



JESSICA WATSON

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10 things we should do before we build new facilities

SHANEE STROTHER
Staff Writer

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| <p>10. Improve the plumbing in the dorms. Why are sinks and toilets constantly clogged?</p> <p>9. Let's get call waiting, we have the "FLASH" button on the phone, but it never does anything.</p> <p>8. More items in the bookstore, and maybe decent prices. Where's the new McDaniel stuff?</p> <p>7. Can we cut a deal with Coca-Cola? Why is everything in the soda machines so expensive?</p> <p>6. Someone please build a better ethernet network!</p> <p>5. What's up with our cable, it's like some-</p> | <p>times we have it and some times we don't.</p> <p>4. Let's improve the student organization facilities. Afterall, we are the ones who put this school on the map.</p> <p>3. How do you fit a fan/air conditioner, fridge, computer, and stereo in one outlet? You can't. More outlets and fewer power outtages.</p> <p>2. Why do I hear that we're building over our parking lots? We need more parking spaces, please!!</p> <p>1. More options for food: stale french toast sticks just aren't cuttin' it these days.</p> |
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Getting psyched about Psychology



JESSICA WATSON

JENN BRODERICK & CARA JACOBSON
Staff Writers

Get excited McDaniel students, there's a new club on campus! The first ever Psychology Club meeting was held Tuesday, September 17, 2002. But don't worry; you're not too late to get involved! The club is open to all students who are interested in psychology. The club already boasts 42 members ranging from freshman to seniors with all different majors.

Each meeting is started with a fun psychological activity. But the fun doesn't end there! The Psychology Club is currently planning a career dinner with Western Maryland alums who graduated with a

psychology degree. The dinner will be held November 12, at 6:30 in the President's Dining Room.

The Club is also planning other fun activities for their members, such as a field trip to the Washington Zoo to see chimpanzees do sign language, stress-alleviating activities around exam time, demonstrations to be held at "Love Your Body Day," and the list goes on.

If you are interested in helping get a new club up and running, join us! The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 16 at 9:15 in Ensor Lounge. Call Cara at extension 8093 or Jenn at (410) 596-3757 with any questions, comments, or concerns. We look forward to seeing you there!

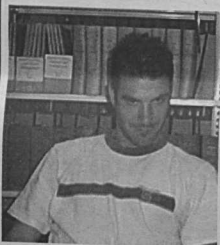
60 SECONDS

If you could be any cartoon character, who would you be and why?



"Snoopy, he gets to sleep all day." - Sarah Warman, junior

"Mighty Mouse, because he is a mouse who beats everyone up and flies." - Steven Colasoonno, freshman



"Homer Simpson, because he is a very intelligent man who doesn't drink." - Judd Walter, freshman



"I would be Rainbow Brite because she doesn't use violence to conquer the bad people." - Kristy Costa, freshman



"I'd be Tinkerbell, because I could fly around in a skimpy green outfit and help people." - Tiffany Ellison, freshman

The ideal grad seminar

Seniors comments on how the grad seminar helped them to get a glimpse of the road ahead

EMILY SEAL
Staff Writer
JENN BALLARD
Staff Writer

I never thought I would get to this point, but as hard as it is to believe, it is here. I am a senior. Not only am I a senior, but I am one of the many who has NO CLUE what I want to do after I graduate. So when I received a little slip of paper in campus mail that informed me of a program about graduate schools, my interest was peaked. Not knowing what I was in for, I attended the hour-long seminar and walked away with not only good tips for the graduate school application process, but also with a sense of direction.

The speaker, who was presented by a satellite teleconference, not only presented the facts that we needed to know, but also delivered them in a light and humorous tone. Questions could be phoned in immediately following the presentation. Approximately 40 students were in attendance, and each were given a questionnaire to complete to determine the success of the program. Seventeen were returned, and the overall consensus showed that the students generally

liked the program presenters and information. When asked if the program will be offered again, Karen Arnie, who organized the program, replied that Career Services would "certainly offer the program again if we are given the opportunity to show the broadcast at a reasonable price."

So, for any senior or junior out there, whether you need a little direction or you have your grad school applications ready to submit, I would highly recommend this program.

The speaker, who was presented by a satellite teleconference, not only presented the facts that we needed to know, but also delivered them in light and humorous tone.

For all of you who were unable to attend here are some highlights:
- Build a list of 20 possible schools that fit your needs

and then narrow it down to about 6 ranging from ones that you know that you will get into to long shots.

- E-mail currently enrolled students and ask them what they think (you'll find students lists on the grad school's website)

- Apply 30 to 90 days early - it will improve your chances of getting accepted

- 3 ways to stand out to colleges

1- Visit the schools you are interested in. Often your enthusiasm for a program will convince the faculty that you will be an excellent addition to their program because of the passion you have

2- Submit an outstanding work sample

3- Mail or e-mail the faculty. You can get your name out to them by asking for clarification of requirements or commenting on articles that they wrote

- If there are blemishes in your academic record explain them and guarantee that they are in the past

- In your statement of purpose, use grad school level language

- Don't call, e-mail or visit a professor unless you have read some of their work

- You have to apply months before the regular entrance deadline to be eligible for assistantships, tuition waivers and aid, so plan your time accordingly

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Women's Soccer hot after rocky start

GREG LEDERER
Sports Editor

The McDaniel College Women's soccer team has been on a hot streak recently.

Stuck at 3-2 early in the season, the team now boasts a solid 8-4 record overall, 3-1 in the Centennial Conference.

On October 2nd, the Green Terror visited Grantham, PA for a away game against undefeated Messiah College.

The team came out attacking early in the first half, but couldn't capitalize and went into the half down 1-0. In the second stanza, the Falcons proved too much as they scored two more insurance goals and shutout the Green Terror 3-0. Despite the Falcons attacking offense, senior goalie Candice

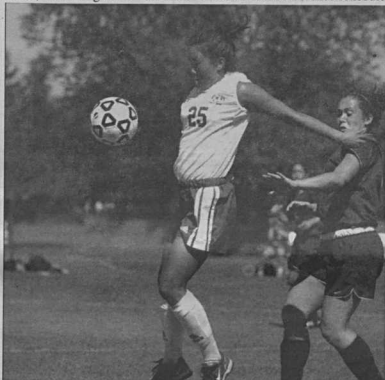
Kuligowski had six stops in the game.

McDaniel picked up their eighth win of the season at home against Dickinson College.

The Green Terror struck first in the first half when senior Melissa Merson found junior Nikki Lepson for her sixth goal of the season at the 35 minute mark. Ahead 1-0 at the half, the team picked up two more goals from sophomore Brooke Weimer and junior Becki Ridgway and cruised to a 3-1 conference victory.

Kuligowski has five saves in the net in the victory.

With the conference race heating up, the team can make things very interesting as they enter the meat of their conference schedule.



Junior Nikki Lepson prepares to attack the ball.

DAVID SINCLAIR

Green Terror SPORTS SCHEDULE

Football

vs. Dickinson College
October 19th, 1:00pm

Field Hockey

vs. Muhlenberg College
October 12th, 4:00pm

Men's Soccer

@ Gettysburg College
October 9th, 4:00pm

Women's soccer

vs. Washington College
October 9th, 4:00pm

Volleyball

vs. Washington College
October 9th, 7:00pm

Cross Country

@ Gettysburg
October 26th

Men's soccer clips Swarthmore in OT, falls short against Franklin & Marshall

GREG LEDERER
Sports Editor

The McDaniel College Men's soccer team recently played two nail-biting conference games against Swarthmore and Franklin & Marshall College.

On September 28, the team pulled out a road victory at Swarthmore.

The Green Terror struck first in the contest when senior Steve Lennox netted an early goal and took a 1-0 edge into the intermission.

In the second half, the team extended their lead when junior Ferencz Csiki found freshman Todd Knepper for another goal, but the opposition responded with two goals to tie the game and send it into overtime.

In overtime, sophomore Thomas Kane found an open field in front of him and used fellow sophomore Leon Mach's crisp pass to nail the ball past the Swarthmore goalie and register the team's fourth win of the season and their first in Conference play.

The Green Terror played host to Franklin & Marshall College on September 25th.

In the first half, the Green Terror took another early lead when sophomore Tim McCallum found the back of the F & M net and lead again at the half 1-0.

The opposition responded in the second half, using a costly McDaniel penalty to score off a penalty kick to tie the contest. Both teams failed to score again in regulation and headed for overtime. Unfortunately for the home crowd, the Green Terror came up just short when F & M's Ben Wilson scored the game winning goal past senior goalie Brent Kahuda, who performed valiantly with 4 saves in the contest.

Despite the loss, the team is looking for future success as they continue in conference play.

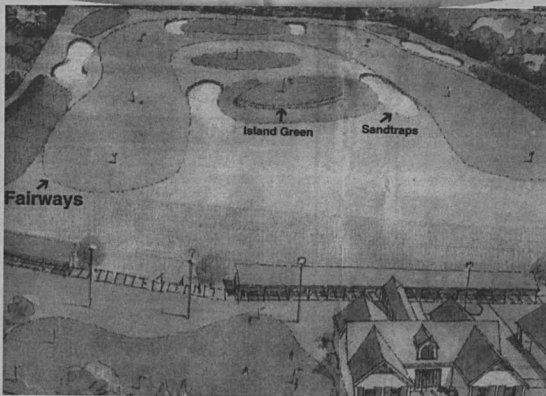
"We are starting to come together as a team and hopefully, we can continue playing strong through the rest of the season," said McCallum.

Men's Soccer Leaders

Points		Assists	
Thomas Kane	11	Brian Samartino	3
Tim McCallum	4	Ferencz Csiki	1
Goals		Saves	
Thomas Kane	5	Brent Kahuda	47
Steve Lennox	2	Andrew Wu	1

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Volleyball builds unity with youth as season continues

REG LEDERER
Sports Editor

The 2002 campaign has been a learning experience for the McDaniel College Volleyball squad.

The team boasts just three seniors, and has counted on many young freshman players to contribute to the team immediately.

While the team has a under sub .500 record (7-9), there have been positive signs that the team is improving as the season has continued.

In their most recent match, the team swept both Hood and Neuman Colleges at the Salisbury tournament on October 4. The team won both matches by scores of 3-0 and improved their record to 7-9 on the season.

On October 1, the team ventured to Selingsgrove, PA for an away match against conference opponent Susquehanna College.

Unfortunately for the team, the opposition picked up a 3-1 victory in close fashion.

The Green Terror lost the first game by 2 points 29-31, lost the second game 30-18, but came back and won the third stanza 30-24. In the fourth game, the team fell just short, losing 30-27 and suffering their ninth loss of the season.

The team was led by senior star player Kate Wall who had 13 kills and 21 digs in

the loss, while junior Kellyanne Rose had 11 kills of her own.

The team looked to pick up a road victory against Messiah College on September 28. It was another tough day for the team, as they dropped the contest 3-1 in four games. The team won the first game convincingly 30-21, but lost the next three games by slim margins. Wall had another strong game with 20 digs and 22 kills while Rose had 15 digs as well.

The team got back on the winning track against Widener University on September 24.

The team dominated the contest, getting off to a strong start in the first game (30-16), leading to a 3-1 victory. The opposition tied the score by winning the second game, but the Green Terror picked up victories in the third and fourth games to take home the victory.

Wall had 14 kills and 20 digs, while Rose had 15 kills and 17 digs in the win. Freshman Mindy Michoff also performed strongly for the team with 22 assists in the contest.

As the team's younger players start to mold with the experienced ones, the team is looking for a strong second half to their season in the Centennial Conference.

Green Terror Volleyball Leaders

Kills		Digs	
Kate Wall	201	Kate Wall	266
Kellyanne Rose	124	Kellyanne Rose	213
Blocks		Assists	
Carrie Sniffen	15	Mindy Michoff	110
Krista Eisler	9	Tamara Twardowshi	96

Cross Country posts solid Invitational performance

REG LEDERER
Sports Editor

The McDaniel College Cross Country teams recently competed in the Elizabethtown and Dickinson Invitationals. The teams had strong finishes by many runners in each of the meets.

In Carlisle, PA on October 5, the Dickinson Invitational was broken in down into two races using a long and short course. The Green Terror women finished seventh on the long and 10th on the shorter course. Senior Holly Thompson paced the squad with her 29th place finish on the short course in a time of 16:52, followed next by sophomore Colleen Lawson in 42nd and Natasha Young's 58th place in times of 17:11 and 17:35 respectively.

On the Longer course, senior Blair Heinke crossed the tape first for the team in a time of 25:24 good enough for 26th place, followed immediately after by fellow senior Jen Pullen in 27th place with a time of 25:25.

On the Men's side, the team ran to a 18th place finish on the long course and a 17th place on the shorter one. Freshman Paul Hagus led the way for the Green Terror on the longer course with his 45th place finish, followed by fellow freshman Gary Markle at 49th, senior Dave Proffil in 73rd, and junior John Reagan in 110th.

Markle came back and paced the team's effort on the shorter 4k run with a 45th place finish in a time of 14:03. Junior Calvin Woodward finished second on the team with a 73rd place finish in a time of 14:23 and freshman Steve Beck came in third with a

time of 15:11 at 110th.

On September 21, the teams competed in the Elizabethtown Invitational.

The Men's team finished in seventh place out of the nine teams in the race. Hagus led the way for the team, finishing 36th in the race with a time of 30:57 followed by freshman teammate Matt Jackson in 41st in a time of 31:18. Proffil immediately followed Jackson in 42nd place and Reagan placed 49th in the meet.

With many freshman performing well this season on the men's side, the team believes that the future is looking brighter for the program. "It's unusual for a team to have so many freshman at the top of the team, but if we put in the work and recruit well in the future then the program will be very bright," said Jackson.

On the Women's side, the team was paced by Jen Pullen's 22nd place finish in a time of 25:39, immediately followed by freshman Kristen Aversa in 26th and sophomore Colleen Lawson in 44th place.

Green Terror can see the teams next compete in the Gettysburg Invitational on October 26th.

Editorial Note

The Phoenix Sports section is proud to congratulate Jill Krebs on winning the Women of the Year in Maryland from the NCAA.

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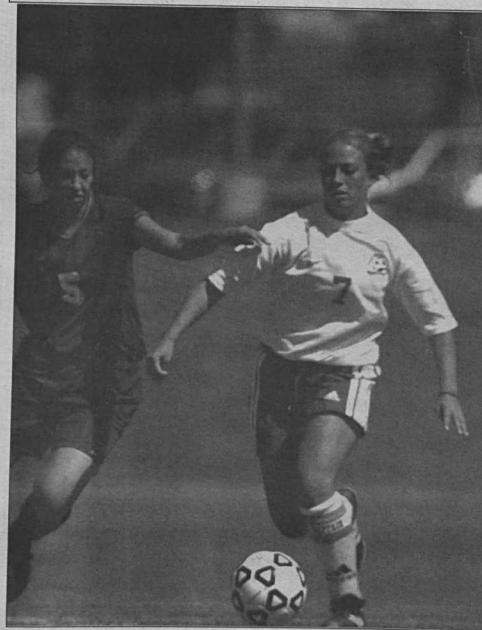
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Green Terror soccer player Christine Mayne takes charge of the ball.

DAVID SINCLAIR

Ryder Cup demonstrates the true sportsmanship in international competition

EDWARD K. SCHULTHEIS

Co-Editor-in-Chief

Let me just start out by saying that I know that the Ryder Cup is a miniscule blip on the radar of mainstream America.

I can't even garner an opinion on the number of McDaniel students that witnessed the biennial golf competition. This being said — everyone who missed the 2002 Ryder Cup missed a spectacular showdown that reaffirmed traditional values intrinsic in sports.

The Ryder Cup, which was delayed a year by the September 11 attacks in 2001, is a showdown between the United States' and Europe's best golfers. This year, the competition was held at The Belfry in England. And it was the best Ryder Cup in recent memory, even if America did lose.

The last competition, in 1999, was held at The Brookline Country Club in Massachusetts and to say that it was shrouded in controversy would be an understatement. America took back the Ryder Cup when Justin Leonard drained a 40 foot putt at which time the American team rushed onto the green and celebrated.

Oh, did I forget to mention that while they were doing so, Jose Maria Olazabal had a putt from about 20 feet to win the hole, which

he later missed after the Americans gathered themselves and left the green.

However, the American's outburst coupled with the outrageous vulgarity and rudeness of the American fans present at the course made all the bad blood between the two teams boil over. The 1999 Ryder Cup was certainly not America's finest hour — both on and off the course.

What is good about the Ryder Cup is that since it is every two years, there is time to let the hard feelings die down. Since there were three years this time between, and an event which changed history, the mutual feelings of both teams were very different then past years. This change in feelings led to a totally different Ryder Cup experience, one that displayed the good qualities of true sportsmanship.

Unlike the last competition, the fans were actually pleasant — of course this could be due to the fact that the European fans are normally a bit more subdued than American fans.

However, this year the fans were actually cheering on both teams, and never once rudely cheered when a bad shot was hit. This is a stark contrast to 1999

when boisterous fans actually cheered when a European team member hit a bad shot. Not to mention the Colin "Monty" Montgomerie jeering, which was pretty pitiful to always see the drunk (and yes, most of the people jeering looked drunk) American fans screaming "Monty...fill in the appropriate curse word."

This year, the fans were into the competition, as they should be, but always were respectful of the players and the game. It was a pleasant sight.

Also the camaraderie between the two teams was electrifying. Most of the players were joking with their playing partners and with their opponents, when in years past the players would hardly speak with their partners, let alone the other team.

To see David Toms and Phil Mickelson high-fiving after a chip-in is good, but to see Tiger Woods and Davis Love III actually smiling and joking with one another during play, that just brings a smile to your face.

But the biggest factor about the difference between the Ryder Cup and other sporting events is that the Ryder Cup is about honor — not a monetary gain.

It is about a competition be-

tween the best golfers from the U.S. and the rest of the world. And unlike some All-Star games in other sports, these players play their hearts out in defending their country's honor — they even play injured or sick in the competition, like Monty and Tiger did this year.

So while some people missed out by not watching this year's Ryder Cup, they not only missed a great fiery competition, but they also missed out on seeing some good old fashioned gamers.

So just as a forewarning, in September 2004, if you have some time, check out the next Ryder Cup matches and you too can see sportsmanship at its best.

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2. Who has the most hits in Major League Baseball postseason history?

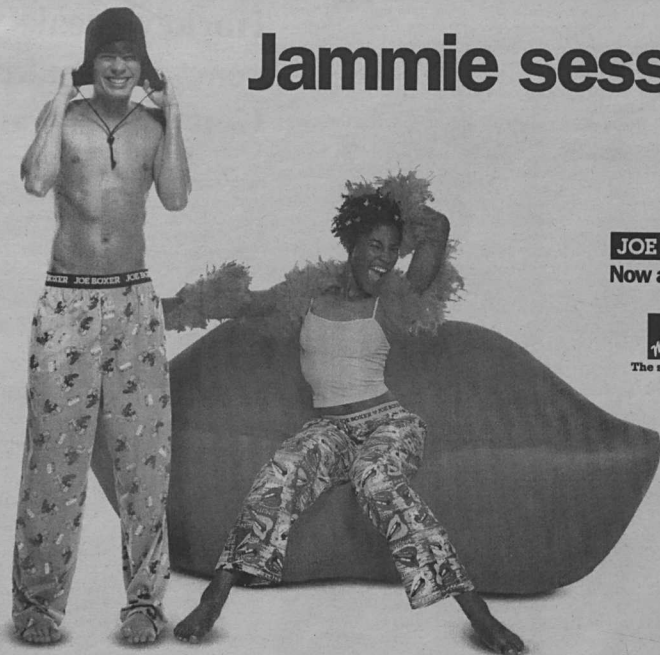
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1. Fred McGriff

2. Yankees, Blue Jays, A's, Cardinals.

3. 1991

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Green Terror Football pounds Muhlenberg, blows by Ursinus

GREG LEDERER
Sports Editor

For five straight seasons, the McDaniel College football team has won the Centennial Conference championship trophy. The team took another big step towards a sixth season when they faced undefeated conference foe, Muhlenberg College.

On October 5, the Green Terror hosted the Mules before another large crowd at Scott S. Bair Stadium.

Despite a scoreless first quarter, McDaniel used a 21 point surge in the second quarter and a career high 163 rushing yards from junior fullback Jason Hartman to win the contest by a score of 35-14.

The Green Terror sparked the offense in the second quarter with two long drives, each ending on short touchdown runs by Hartman.

Muhlenberg quickly responded taking advantage of a turnover to cut the lead to seven points with a touchdown, but McDaniel came right back in the final seconds of the first half when senior quarterback John Luster found senior wide receiver Joe Ellis on a 17-yard touchdown strike to extend their lead to 21-7 at the half.

In the second half, the Green Terror used their powerful rushing attack, which piled up 295 yards in the contest, to overpower the Mules with touchdown runs from junior French Pope and a third from Hartman on a 22 yard breakout.

Pope had 45-yards in the contest to assist the running by committee.

The team had success through the air along with the running game, as Luster completed on 16 of 27 passes for 180 yards, 75 of which were picked up junior wide receiver Nick Venuto who caught seven passes on the day to lead the team. Ellis caught two passes for 24 yards and a touchdown in the contest.

"We played really well against them (Muhlenberg)," said freshman quarterback Bill Brudis.

"We had a really good week of practice and we knew what they were going to do before they did it," he added.

Senior defensive back Dave Fedorchak lead the defensive unit on the day with five unassisted tackles, while junior linebacker Troy Mason picked up three unassisted tackles in the victory.

The victory improves the team's record to 4-1, 3-0 in the conference.

A week earlier, the team went on the road to play conference foe, Ursinus College.

The Green Terror once again picked up another strong 21-point second quarter and a tough defensive enough to beat the bears by a score of 37-14.

The team started the scoring binge when Luster found a hole in the defense and ran 49 yards on a keeper to the end zone. The team picked up another short run touch-



Junior fullback Jason Hartman busts through the Mules line in the Terror victory over Muhlenberg. DAVID SINCLAIR

down run by Hartman to extend their lead in the contest, then jumped on a costly mistake by the Bears when their kick returner fumbled the kickoff and the Green Terror pounced on the ball.

The team took advantage and ended the first half scoring with a 20-yard touchdown run by senior running back Jewel Johnson, who had 90 yards rushing in the contest to lead the team.

In the second half, Luster finished with 203 yards passing as he threw two touchdown passes to senior tight end Aaron Hutsell and senior wide receiver James Jegede while the stingy defense held the Bears to a measly 270 total offensive yards to finish the game.

Green Terror Field Hockey breaks ten year skid against Gettysburg College

KATIE MARTIN
Staff Writer

Last Wednesday, the McDaniel College Green Terror Field Hockey team beat the Gettysburg Bullets 1-0, for the first time in 10 years.

Junior Sara Thomas scored the lone goal only seven minutes into the first half.

The Green Terror defense held the Bullets scoreless for the remainder of the game. Goalkeeper Becky Arnold faced only one shot from the Bullets, whereas the Green Terror recorded eleven shots against the opposition.

The team traveled to Virginia this past weekend to play Lynchburg College and Sweet Briar College in non-conference play.

The Green Terror fell to Lynchburg College 1-0 on Saturday, their second loss of the season. However, the team picked up the pace on Sunday, beating Sweet Briar College 6-0.

Team members Clara Hollingsworth, Laura Ford, and Danielle Unflat each contributed two goals in the victory.

Following the games this weekend, the team is 2-1 in the Centen-

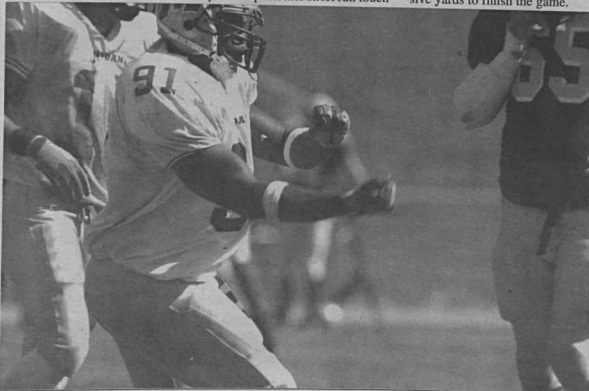
nial Conference and 10-2 overall.

For all of the Green Terror fans, the team resumes conference play at home on October 12 against Muhlenberg with a 1 pm start time.

Previous Field Hockey Results

September 25th
McDaniel - 1
Dickinson - 0

September 28th
McDaniel - 0
Swarthmore - 1



Green Terror junior linebacker Omar Phillips celebrates after sacking the opposing quarterback. DAVID SINCLAIR

McDaniel College - Home of the Champions!

Homecoming festivities a success despite rainy weather

STACI GEORGE
Senior Writer

A parade of green and gold was just what this cold, rainy day needed to boost the spirits of the alumni, faculty, students, and their families who came to the Hill to see McDaniel beat Dickinson.

The parade began at East Middle School, traveled down Main Street, passed by the judges' table, and entered campus to kick off "Homecoming 2002."

Pam Zappardino, president of the Alumni Association, and Westminster City Mayor Kevin Dayhoff, a non-traditional student, rode in a red 1966 Ford Mustang at the head of the parade.

The Homecoming court followed shortly behind them in a horse drawn carriage.

Various student organizations spent a great deal of time preparing floats to show off in the parade.

These floats were judged and the winners were announced at half time. Each won money from the Student Government Association.

The winners were: First place, Alpha Psi Omega; Second place, Phi Mu; Third place, Phi Sigma Sigma.

Senior Mike Pitsikoulis designed Alpha Psi Omega's float.

Senior David Trader, who led the float construction and drove the tractor, said it took six hours to prepare the float with its theme "Taking Theatre to the Streets."

The members of this theatre



Green Terror spirit filled the air on Saturday, October 19, as McDaniel College football fans cheered the team to victory. Despite wet conditions, these students did their best to keep spirits high. See full coverage on page 2.

honor society who participated in the parade wore extravagant costumes. Actors such as sophomore Andrew Pecararo got off the float and made parade watchers a part of their parade performance.

Phi Mu did a "King of the Hill" theme, where they made T-shirts with their Greek letters using jungle animal fabric. Junior Julia Keene said that it took about two weeks to come up with the idea and put everything together. Senior Clare Pavey was head of the float committee.

Phi Mu also won the James
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Alumni turnout for Homecoming weekend is large despite college's name change

KATIE CHAMPION
News Editor

When the name change decision was announced in January, members of the Alumni Association became concerned that relations with alumni would diminish. However, the turnout for the homecoming football game on Saturday relieved many Alumni Affairs officials.

The turnout of alumni, parents and friends was extremely large this year.

Many new alumni came back to join in the festivities and see old friends. Susan Miller '02, came with her boyfriend, Paul Ostazeski '01, to see her sister, Julia and catch up with old classmates.

"It's good to see people from my class and the class before me," Miller said.

Ostazeski agreed. "I ran into my old roommate," he said. "It's nice to be back."

Jeremy Keil '02, enjoyed his first homecoming as an alum. "It definitely feels funny not going back to my dorm with friends, but it's great to be back and see old friends," Keil said.

During the half-time ceremonies, Pam Zappardino, president of the Alumni Association announced the winners of this year's Alumni Association awards that were awarded earlier Saturday morning

at an awards brunch at the home of President Coley.

The Meritorious Service Award was presented to Caroline Babylon '76, Phil Enstice '71, Andy Kalisperis '98 and Caroline Benson Tringali '85. This award goes to graduates who have demonstrated exceptional leadership and devotion to service for the betterment of the college Alumni Association.

The Distinguished Alumni Award is presented to graduates who have gained national or international distinction in his or her chosen profession and whose accomplishments reflect admirably on the College. This year's recipients are Frank Bowe '69 and Eric Byrd '93.

The Alumni Community Award was presented to David Bailey '57, Tracy Kennard Imm '87 and Harris LeFev '51. This award is presented to graduates who have performed outstanding voluntary service to their community beyond normal business or professional obligation.

The Alumni Admissions Award is given periodically to an alumnus who has given extraordinary time and effort to introducing academically eligible young people to the college. This year the award was presented to Janice Mooney Hobart '63.

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McDaniel hosts 8th Annual German-American Day

LAWRENCE ASSUD
Staff Writer

On Tuesday, October 15, McDaniel College celebrated its 8th annual German-American Day by hosting over 620 high school students.

The day began early for many people that day. At 8:30 a.m., 24 McDaniel students assisting 31 presenters, and high school students coming from more than 20 schools from multiple locations in Maryland met in Baker Memorial Chapel.

Dr. Esa, German Associate Professor, first thanked everyone for coming. Then, Dr. Motard-Noar, the chair of the department of Foreign languages and Martha O'Connell, dean of admissions, stressed on the importance of learning German regarding success in college and job opportunities.

Nadja Werner, German house director, and James Watson, President of the German club, emphasized the opportunity of living in the German house and of joining the German club. Afterwards, people from different embassies spoke about the meaning of such a day and the importance of maintaining German-American friendship by supporting such events as German-American day.

At 10:30 a.m., students were asked to join their presenter and assistant to attend the workshop they had signed up for. They chose it among 27 very different workshops covering many areas of German culture. Some of them were devoted to German-American

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President Coley awards Phi Mu with 2002 Brant Cup



For the scoop on all the Homecoming awards, check out the story on page 2.

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German-American Day unites college and high school students

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friendship and cooperation, others to all kinds of art: drawing, sculpture, cuisine, movie and even very unusual things such as "cutting paper silhouettes."

Some workshops were focused on German history and World War II. Rubin Stajzer, a Holocaust survivor, was here to share his witness with the students. Some spoke on the culture of German-speaking countries with presenters from the embassies of Germany, but also of Austria and Switzerland, which was a premiere at McDaniel. The students could also learn German songs, dances, music and sports.

After lunch in a crowded Englar Dining Hall, everybody gathered in the Forum for some more greetings and performances. Stephanie Reed, secretary of the German club, thanked Thomas Wriessing, cultural attache at the German embassy for the money Germany offered to America after 9/11 (\$28 million) and also presented a check over \$500, money that students and faculty collected for the German Flood Relief Fund. Germany was hit by huge floods in September.

The designer of the T-shirt was also thanked for his work: the logo represents the four flags of Germany, Austria, Switzerland and America joined together.

It also has two bridges on the sides, representing the transatlantic bridges between German-speaking countries and America, theme of the 2002 German-American Day at McDaniel.

Some students performed what they had learned in their respective workshops. You could see six people playing the "Schneewalzer" on their own instrument. Then eleven people sang a German song "Auf der Mauer, auf der Lauer", and the whole room did accompany them with enthusiasm.

After that, ten people performed three different German dances they learned in only one hour with the help of two traditional German dancers: Mrs. and Mr. Skowronek. Afterwards, videos of German music were shown while the students waited for their school buses.

The students did not forget to thank the presenters they met because of this special experience they had together. Some of them went back to their Maryland schools with a souvenir, either a Lebkuchen they decorated or a paper silhouette they cut, but all of them had learned something about Germany on this Tuesday and are already looking forward

the next German-American day with impatience.

This day was also meant to get pupils involved in German culture to and make them want to learn more about it as well as to lead them to go to German-speaking countries.

This is also a means to connect people together and to make them raise other German-American events. For example, Mary Mc Donald, German teacher at Thomas Johnson High School has invited Mrs. and Mr. Skowronek to come to her class and teach German dances to her pupils next semester.

German day was usually observed in the 19th century to celebrate the transatlantic friendship and to thank German immigrants for their contributions to American culture. In 1987, German-American day was proclaimed by President Ronald Reagan, who asked American people to celebrate it by raising feasts and events.

Thanks to the very involved German teachers Dr. Mohamed Esa and Dr. Mary Upman, Western Maryland College has celebrated German-American Day every year since 1995. Tuesday, October 15 2002, it was thus McDaniel's turn to praise it with a special theme: "Building Transatlantic Bridges of Friendship with German-speaking Countries".

If you want to get more information about German-American Day, go to <http://www.fac.mcdaniel.edu/German/GAD/index.htm>.

And if you want to participate or help for German-American Day 2003, get in touch with Dr Esa at x2462.

Alumni awards bestowed during Homecoming festivities

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The highest honor of the year given by the Alumni Association is the Alumnus/Alumna of the Year Award. This award is presented to a graduate who is of good character and is held in high esteem by his or her associates and has brought credit upon him or herself and the College. This year's recipient is Kathy Moore Rittler '68.

Alumni were received in a special tent area and enjoyed many other activities throughout the weekend.

Some new alums found the scene strange. Kristen Inwold '02 who is now teaching elementary school enjoyed Homecoming as a break from the working world. "It's a little weird to come back and see college friends talking about work," she said.

2002 Homecoming half-time awards and ceremonies

Parade Float Awards

1st Prize: Alpha Psi Omega

2nd Prize: Phi Mu

3rd prize: Phi Sigma Sigma

Award prize money will be transferred to the winners' school accounts.

Homecoming Court



2002 Homecoming King and Queen from the class of 2003, Stephanie Knight and Jamin Bartolomeo



Class of 2004 Andrea Estevez and Tom Marshall.



Class of 2005 Sara Abbott and Phil D'Adamo



Class of 2006 Tori Ratchford and Stuart Johnson

Postgame partiers say "Aloha, victory!"

STACI GEORGE
Senior Writer

There is no better way to celebrate a 20-0 victory than with friends, music, food, and leis at a Hawaiian theme party.

Students and alumni gathered under a tent on the tennis courts for four hours of celebrating and catching up with one another.

About 300 people attended the party, said Michelle Hamilton Kershner '98, associate director of alumni affairs.

The night's musical entertainment was provided by the Full Effect Band, which consists of a four piece rhythm section, three piece horn section (sax, trumpet, and trombone), and two vocalists. They played music from the 70s through today.

Their web site (<http://www.fulleffectband.com/bandmembers/>)

meethe.htm) says that the band has been together since 1992 and has performed in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, and New Jersey to name a few states.

Many alumni brought their children while Chuck Flayhart entertained them with magic for the first half of the night and made balloon hats the rest of the time. The kids also danced and played with the beach balls on the dance floor.

"Overall, I think everyone enjoyed the party. The balloon artist was a big hit with the kids and the adults," said Kershner.

Dining Services provided the buffet of food.

This was the second year that Alumni Affairs sponsored a Homecoming party on the tennis courts.

The party ended at 8:00 and the night continued with an array of fireworks.

Green and gold bring spirit to packed Homecoming crowd

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Brant Memorial cup award for excellence in academics, leadership, and service.

Phi Sigma Sigma theme was Hollywood Boulevard and its orange and black banner proclaimed "It takes class to be astar!"

Senior Donna Hurd said it took about three nights to build the float and 30 Phi Sigs rode on it in the parade.

The class of 2006, the cheerleaders, and the Black Student Union also had floats in the parade.

"It's always good to see healthy competition among the many diverse groups on campus. I enjoyed the parade," said alumnus Tom Macurak '02.

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Students voice opinions about foreign policy at open forum

NICOLE GRIMM
Staff Writer

On Wednesday, October, 9, an Iraq forum took place in McDaniel Lounge, allowing both students and faculty to come together and debate the latest news and their personal opinions about the war with Iraq.

The turnout was very good. An estimated 100 people showed up for the discussion. According to Dr. Volker Franke, both the organizer and leader of this particular forum, the events that took place on September 11 have made students more aware and passionate about the issues surrounding the Middle East.

Franke explained, "I am pleased to see there is a lot of interest on the subject and there was a good exchange of ideas between the students."

As the proctor for the Iraq forum, it was Franke's job to remain objective while guiding the discussion. He stimulated the group through questions which raised opinions such as who is in favor and who is opposed to an attack against Iraq?

In addition, both the students and faculty raised other thought-provoking questions such as, "Does Iraq have nuclear capabilities?" "Is the attack on Iraq a personal vendetta with President Bush?" "What would be the repercussions of an attack on Iraq?" "Does Iraq harbor terrorists?" and "How does congress feel about invading Iraq?" In response these and other questions, the forum became heated and voices were raised as opposing views broke out, mainly from the students.

In addition to the students' views on the topic, there were faculty members present that brought an interesting perspective to the discussion. Dr. Mohamed Esa, a

native to the Middle East, corrected the misconceptions about Iraq and the people who live there. He clarified that they are not all terrorists and they are a civilization with their own culture and heritage.

Furthermore, Lt. Col. Donald Craig injected his military knowledge into the forum. Craig suggested that currently, Iraq is not a big threat to our military and that their capabilities have been significantly reduced.

Not only did the faculty offer different views of the situation, they also ensured that the points the students were arguing were correct. Dr. Christianna Leahy reflected, "It is important that students recognize that they can afford the luxury of having discussions with their peers and teachers in a familiar, safe environment."

Franke ended the forum the same way he opened by stressing the importance that students come together and organize other such forums by themselves. When he asked the forum if they think that open discussions such as this one are important, the response was unanimously in favor. The Iraq forum was a success and a motivation for students to the initiative and plan more discussions.



Dr. Volker Franke leads students in debate during the open forum held last week. Students and the community gathered to discuss the current foreign policy with Iraq. The event, hosted by the Political Science Department had a large turnout and led to a heated debate.

Campus Safety News October 6 - 18, 2002

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News Editor

10/6/02: Unknown suspect did donuts in the Quad with car tearing up the grass.

10/7/02: 8:56 a.m., Blanche resident reported the receiver and connecting wires stolen from his phone. No other items found to be missing.

10/7/02: 10:00 p.m., RA smelled marijuana and saw a bong being used in a room in Rouzer Hall. Statement was written by RA at DoCS. Student cooperated when approached. Westminster Police Department was called and the student was arrested.

10/8/02: 10:26 a.m., College vehicle hit a student car in the ROTC parking lot.

10/9/02: A green ballard was struck and damaged by a student's vehicle at the top of McDaniel Lane.

10/10/02: Reported electrical fire on the fourth floor of Whiteford Hall. Student stated that while using her blow dryer, sparks came from the cord as well as the outlet. Flames were put out by a fire extinguisher.

10/10/02: 5:10 p.m., A female non-student had one of her vehicle win-

dows shatter for unknown reasons while she was sitting in it. Westminster Police responded and handled the investigation. No suspects or cause has been determined at this time.

10/11/02: 2:10 a.m., Three students were arrested off-campus by the Westminster Police for among other charges, disorderly conduct.

10/11/02: 5:00 p.m., Blanche resident's phone receiver reported missing upon return from fall break.

10/13/02: Visitor's vehicle was picked up and moved after it was parked. Vehicle was damaged.

10/13/02: 1:20 a.m., Misuse of fire extinguisher in Rouzer Hall.

10/16/02: 10:00 a.m., Trespasser (peeping tom) observed in women's locker room at Harlow Pool. Theft of clothing also took place during this incident.

10/17/02: 1:32 a.m., Underage student found to be in possession of multi-liter container of hard alcohol in Rouzer Hall.

10/18/02: Student struck a college vehicle with her car while backing out of a parking space on Historic Drive.

Security Notice
The Department of Campus Safety and the Westminster Police are investigating a "peeping tom" case that happened at approximately 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday in the women's locker room of Harlow Pool. The victim was in the shower and observed a man of average height and build with a round face in the shower area. He was wearing a tan baseball cap pulled down hard with a very rounded brim. He had no visible hair and appeared to be in his thirties, although other witnesses place him in the college age range reported he had short, light colored hair. He attempted to hide his face as he exited the locker room. He was wearing dark pants and a gray flannel or cotton shirt. He may have been seen exiting the building by College Dining Services employees in the area of the Forum. It was later reported that personal items were stolen from an unlocked locker. All witnesses are cooperating.

Any member of the campus community with information on this case is asked to contact Sgt. Bruce Lohr in the Department of Campus Safety at x2302.

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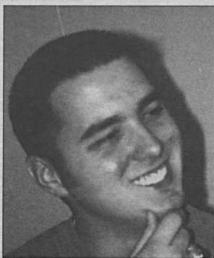
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Colorful changes abound for the *Phoenix*



Edward K. Schultheis

It is an awesome time to be a member of the *Phoenix*. Let me be the first to tell you the exciting news of what is going on with McDaniel's student newspaper.

First off, I am proud to say that this is the first issue of the *Phoenix* that has ever had color incorporated into it.

For this the Homecoming issue we, along with the help of College Activities, decided that to have the front and back pages in color would really make this issue special. And while it did make things a bit more difficult for our News and Sports editors to make sure that they great photos and to teach them a new way of placing color photos, but I think they will all agree that it was worth

it. So it is an exciting time for all of us to finally have the staff's hard work shown in color.

Also, funds permitting, we are planning on doing more color edition in the future - which again is something that we are truly excited about. We hope that you enjoy it as well.

Speaking of the News and Sports sections, we had some changes in the personnel of those two sections.

To let Greg Lederer focus more on the sports articles, especially the football games, LeRoy McDuffie was willing to move over from News to help Greg with layout while he focused on stories.

\\We hoped that this synergy between LeRoy and Greg would yield great results in Sports both in the writing and layout.

This means that Greg and LeRoy will be sharing Co-Editor duties for the remainder of the semester.

To fill the vacancy left in News, Katie Champion, who was the assistant news editor, and one of the hardest workers on the staff, was kind enough to take the place of LeRoy.

We hope LeRoy's expertise in layout and Greg's passion for sports writing will enhance the Sports section, and Katie's hard work will keep News driving forward - and that these changes will help with the general quality of the newspaper.

Also, another monumental change that the *Phoenix* is undergoing is the search for

the new masthead.

The current masthead for the *Phoenix*, which has been employed for a number of years, features the steeple of Big Baker. While the logo has been used around the campus, most recently in the newly renovated basement of Big Baker, many people don't know what it is.

Also, with the change of the college's name and logo to the Ward Arch, we have been looking at a variety of submitted mastheads.

We are still in the process of searching, and hope to have a new masthead in place by the end of this semester. If you would like to submit work, please email us at phoenix@mcDaniel.edu. The winner receives \$100, as well as leaving their mark on McDaniel College history.

We are making these changes to serve our community better, and hope that you feel we are doing precisely that.

If you have any comments or suggestion of what we can cover or would like to write about something special your organization is planning, please let us know.

And for you students who think that your voice isn't being heard, write an article for the newspaper, you can see how much a single person's words can change.

This is your newspaper, and your forum to express yourself, take advantage of it.

-Edward K. Schultheis is a senior communication major

Clocks needed to tell time in classroom atmosphere

Before I start pointing out another problem with this institution, I want to congratulate the college for giving me a challenge for this issue.

It was actually very difficult to find a topic for this commentary.

That means one of two things: either I have been walking around in a dream world for the past two weeks or the college has been making more sense lately.

The reality is probably that I was just so glad to have Fall Break that it has put me in a better mood.

So, this may not be a horribly important complaint, it is nevertheless a valid one. It was brought to my attention in one of my classes this semester that many classrooms this year no longer have clocks on the walls. I am not sure the reason for this but it honestly makes no sense. The professors are even complaining.

Now instead of just glancing at the clock when your professor is not looking, you must get caught.

For it is not extremely difficult to pick out the student in the room who has to lift their shirt sleeve and look at their wrist watch to find out the time.

Even more noticeable is the student who has not learned to tell time well, yet for some reason still has a normal watch instead of a digital, and they take forever to count the hands.

Also obvious is the student, who has not invested in a watch that tries to get another student's attention to find out how much longer they must remain there.

One can only assume that this must be more frustrating to professors than having students glance at the wall once in awhile.

Also, if the professor does not believe in wearing a watch, they must rely on the class to tell them what time it is.

Now we all know that every student's watch is at least going to be five minutes



Donna Hurd

faster than any professors. Therefore every class period they get out a little earlier than the last, hoping that the professor doesn't catch on to their unsopranos past.

Of course, no one was asked to be the one to tell the professor what the time really is in fear of the wrath they will receive from the rest of the class.

So in the long run, are there really any benefits to removing the clocks from the classroom?

If the clocks have been removed because some genius decided that the students will learn better without them, they obviously did not think this through enough.

Just something that I thought I would point out.

-Donna Hurd is a senior English major.

Letter to the Editor

Monday, October 7, 2002

To whom it may concern:

I would like to make a comment about an article that appeared in the college newspaper concerning the Student Health Service.

I don't have the details about that particular service, but I do know that the primary care practitioner there, Mrs. Joan Lusby, is a highly dedicated and skilled provider.

As a local pharmacy owner, I have professionally interacted with Mrs. Lusby over the years on many occasions. She has, in my opinion, always exhibited excellent clinical judgment and has shown to be a concerned provider of health care to all her patients.

In today's health care environment it is extremely difficult and complicated to practice evidence-based medicine (which Mrs. Lusby does).

Evidence based medicine requires good solid facts before making a decision. Maybe some reporters should follow that concept.

Dennis M. Rosenbloom, Pharm. D.
C.D.E.

Mood boosters for gray fall days

It's that time of year again. Daylight Savings Time awaits us much like the onset of death that comes with old age. The sky be-



Erin Romanski

gins to darken earlier, the days get much shorter, and our moods tend to cloud over as well.

On the bright side, mid-terms are finally over, and the leaves are starting to change colors, so why not get out there and enjoy the crisp fall air? During these gray days of autumn, I have a few simple suggestions to help maintain sanity and a clear head, while reverting to the childhood behavior that kept us entertained in our younger years.

1. Jump in a big pile of leaves. Remember how much fun this seemingly destructive activity used to be? Not only do you feel as though you are creating more work for the person who took the time out to rake the leaves (because you are), but there is something liber-

ating about the whole thing as well. So dive in! Lead first.

2. Spend an afternoon in the park. Grab your closest bud and a swing and have a competition to see who can go the highest without stopping first. These mediocre challenges can be a refreshing change from the unspoken competition that occurs between students—which is unfortunately what the whole college experience tends to be.

3. Go pumpkin picking. Sure, you might think that this is an over-rated event, but the satisfaction comes later when you get home and have a new demerol that you can paint and carve. Imagine getting out your aggressions on an ex with a twist of the knife (on the pumpkin, of course).

4. Take a trip to a haunted hayride. Who doesn't love to be scared? If for one enjoy the adrenaline rush that comes with being taken by surprise. And so will live or six of your closest friends when you're wedged into a rickety wagon riding through an outdoor frightfest.

5. Go for a long walk-off-campus. How many of us stay cooped up indoors during the autumn months, suddenly turned vampires overnight? And I'm sorry, but walking from dorm, to class, to Glar does not constitute exercise. Expand your horizons and walk to Sheetz for a cup of coffee, or down to Baughers for some good home cooking. A little cardio never hurt anyone, and the change in scenery

does the soul some good.

6. Go trick or treating. Yes, this means you will have to dress up and risk the possibility of adults telling you that you are too old for this and slamming the door in your face. But the slim chance that you will enjoy reliving your childish ways far exceeds any humiliation. Think of all the free junk food you will have handy for those all-nighters or weekend binges.

7. Rent a ton of scary movies and spend a Saturday night in. There is no law that says you must get drunk and party every Saturday night of your college life. Be a rebel and watch some classics like Halloween, The Exorcist and Friday the 13th, make some popcorn and curl up with your significant other.

And finally...

8. Be an amateur photographer. Bask in the great outdoors and fulfill your inner artist. Use up a 24 exposure disposable camera on just scenery shots.

Try to keep yourself and your fellow comrades out of these shots, get them developed in panoramic view, and make your own collage or scrapbook. I guarantee you that looking back on these photographs will not only lighten your mood, but also give you a reason not to dread the approach of fall this time next year. Maybe then October won't seem quite as daunting.

-Erin Romanski is a junior English major.

Some things just defy explanation

So, this is what it has come to: you can't even pump gas anymore.

I am of course referring to "The Beltway Sniper," or whatever the



Mike Wiles

hell we are calling him this week.

Now, I know I'm always the first to complain about how much press villains get in our society, but this time around, there may be some new things to say.

Now, this is not to imply that I'm the one to say them, but, since you've already started reading and all, I might as well give it a try.

As I was saying before, I guess this is what we have come to in this country: no matter how ready we think we are, something always happens to make us wonder how we didn't see "it" coming, and "it" keeps getting more absurd..

There was a time not too far into the past where we didn't think of planes as weapons or that you could kill someone with a letter, but those days seem to be ages behind us now. As of late, just going about your everyday life can get you shot. Perfect.

With all due respect to those that have fallen, the larger tragedy here seems to be that, as a society, we NEVER think it can happen to us.

Despite being the most technically advanced country in the world, few of us have to stopped to think that, if we allow any yahoo to purchase a rifle, there is a chance he'll use it to hunt people.

Now, before all you NRA supporters jump down my throat, let's think about this a second.

There is no way this guy should legally own a gun, and I don't care about his "right to bear arms."

I've got a right to pump gas without the possibility of getting killed in the process. Clearly, there is a conflict of interest here.

I am right about this, and you all know it. Besides, it is my style to assign random blame when the unthinkable happens.

And that's just what this is: the unthinkable came to life; Grand Theft Auto III personified. In all honesty, even if we were the sort of society that expected the worst,

there is still no real way to prepare for something quite like what we have seen these past few weeks. Some things truly defy explanation.

Which brings about another crucial question: what exactly are we supposed to tell kids about all of this?

First there was the matter of "9/11," which was all but impossible to comprehend much less explain to a child, but now the "new" threat exists on a daily basis.

What are we supposed to do, tell kids that things are only going to get worse?

Sadly, this appears to be the truth at the end of this social nightmare.

Hopefully, by the time this article sees print, they will have caught this guy, because a lot more rides on his capture than our safety.

In a society that seems to breed dysfunction and apathy while constantly growing, we need to redeem ourselves and show the world that, while we might have trouble "seeing it coming," we also have got a strong history of coping with what does come, and learning from it in the process.

Anyway, how much worse could things get? Wait, don't answer that.

-Mike Wiles is a senior English major.

Writing Center provides assistance

Becky Arnold explains the benefits of the Writing Center's free service.

Do you have that ten page paper due Friday, that you still haven't started?

Have you done everything else but research for a science paper that is due in one week? Welcome to writers block, the nightmare of many students, whether they are freshmen or seniors, Science majors or English majors.

Few students know these symptoms and how to cure them better than the writing tutors in the Writing Center in Hill Hall 101. Opened 7 days a week, the Writing Center offers students help during any step of the writing process.

The Writing Center is manned by 15 peer tutors and one intern director, Lisa Breslin.

The Writing Center started as just a computer lab, then a few tutors were added to help students with basic writing needs.

While the Writing Center has been a campus wide resource for students for many years, it's popularity has expanded in the last three years.

The tutors include sophomores, juniors, and seniors, with diverse majors and writing experiences. Lisa Breslin stresses that she takes the process of hiring her tutors very seriously.

Not only does she look for good writers but also people with good people skills.

Breslin admits the corp of the peer tutors would be stronger if more men applied and were hired.

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If you have a final draft that just needs some grammar and citation revising, the tutors can help you tackle those areas as well. Breslin says that the only thing that you can not do is, "throw your paper down and say fix it," it just doesn't work that way.

Each session is interactive. "When sessions are interactive, we have a better chance of meeting our mission," Breslin said.

"That mission is to help students become better, more confident writers."

Breslin points out that the Writing Center is not just a place to work on your writing but, "a place to talk about writing."

There will be a lot of talking on April 15, 2003 when McDaniel College hosts a Mid-Atlantic Writing Center Conference.

Five-hundred invitations have been sent to high schools and college inviting other Writing Center students and teachers to attend. The conference will include presentations, workshops, round table discussions, and other events.

The members of the Writing Center are constantly working to improve their ability to help students improve their writing skills.

If your goal is to become a better writer, and you stop by the Writing Center, Lisa Breslin explains, you can contact them at any time.

-Becky Arnold is a junior communications major.

While "walk ins" are welcome, students are recommended to make appointments so that they have adequate time for help. The Writing Center tutors can help students during any step of the writing process.

at 8 in the morning and not closing until almost midnight every night, scheduling an appointment may be tough.

Breslin often tells the story of the time when one student even tried to pay another student (relax it was only a \$5 offer) for her appointment time.

The offer was refused.

While "walk ins" are welcome, students are recommended to make

A message to President Bush regarding war in Iraq

Tara Dellafranzia confronts the president with political suggestions.

Using irrelevant personal attacks to public campaign is generally seen as making a public figure less professional. The more hypocritical political ads out there seem to criticize the candidate's opponent for slandering.

No doubt that the voting public catches this, and that it's good to remain critical yet objective when evaluating a candidate, but voters seem to have forgotten about one politician in particular. One we've already elected (well, in a loose definition of the word): our president.

The time has come to return his emotional arguments with both reason and emotion. As I write this, news channels are reporting that President Bush declared "the enemy has no soul."

Only days after Congress gave him the power to introductory military dictatorship, Bush is now legally allowed to play the very God that he is so intent on serving. It isn't about abortion or the death penalty this time; those issues have been of constant debate for

decades. This is about war and evaluating the character of the opposition. The president's conclusion is simply that the enemy is soulless and without conscience or the ability to derive right from wrong, despite the fact that Hussein has now agreed to allow UN inspectors access to all areas for weapon inspection.

Bush's bluff has been called. Iraq's leader has made a positive decision for his country, his people, and his military situation.

While this does not necessarily make him a kind person or adequate leader, the decision was the right one by Bush's standards, wasn't it?

It was, after all, what the president of our country called for.

And now that Hussein has given in, Bush provokes him further, also upsetting our country's political interest in maintaining peace with Russia.

What can I say to counter a president that uses eye-for-an-eye philosophy to make decisions that literally have earth-shattering potential? Because Hussein wanted to kill his "daddy" and just happens to control a massive amount of oil we won't even need in thirty years, we must attack him?

organizing social functions themselves, including sponsoring outside gatherings, the use of Decker and the Pub. This association would advocate more use of the clubrooms as social gatherings as opposed to the floors, and on weekends the use of multiple clubrooms if any of the Greek organizations feel inclined. This association would advocate the proper clean-up of any said party, and would stress the importance of compromise, and reminds you that Rome wasn't built in a day. This association would also fight for more diverse class offerings. In time, this association would have democratically elected leaders, and possibly have fundraisers. This association would finance said events by charging admission.

I am forced to balance in my mind how the students will receive this proposal, for I am aware of the pessimists (I was once one).

I came up with six main student categories: the people who say "Alright where do I sign up" and mean it, the people who say the same thing but never follow up, the I don't care enoughs, the suitcase students who go home every weekend, the students who don't socialize, and those of you that are against us.

By this last category I am referring to the people who resent partygoers and make anonymous phone calls to the DoCS. If this association were ever founded maybe people from the "students who don't socialize" category would come out more because they would have a reason. Maybe there wouldn't be a "suitcase student" category either.

When considering such a proposal it is the pessimist that contaminates the realist, and therefore the realist is forced to side with the pessimist because the realist knows there are a lot of pessimists out there, and that's reality.

But one thing most of us have in common is that we're conformists, and you know what, so were our parents (if your parents were baby boomers like mine this makes a lot more sense), and a lot of them organized. It was cool to organize. It was cool to fight for whatever it was that you believed in. It was cool to be a part of something bigger than yourself.

And for all you pessimists out there, who

With little or nothing connecting Hussein and his regime to Al Qaeda other than lawless and remote locations, this proposed war somehow avenges the deaths of those lost in America on September 11th? Apparently, our country has suffered great losses, and this justifies more bloodshed.

This war and bloodshed causes similar trauma to those living in any war zone. I don't care if those people are good or evil we have enough good and evil people in America to be concerned with.

The facts, we will be negatively affecting the lives of people already living in bad conditions.

So, Mr. President, what about the country women and men I have lost?

Here is my emotional argument: do not return their untimely deaths with more bloodshed.

You dishonor Christianity by using it to rally support for your political stances and then quickly passing judgment on your enemies for your political decisions.

You are becoming the stereotype of every reason bin Laden gave for attacking us.

Well, Mr. President, you need to think of those that stood behind you. I, for one, went from being a third party masterpiece

to one of Gore's "sore losers" to accepting your call for the political parties of our nation to work together.

And a final note to you, Mr. President, and those that criticize me or call me un-American for not standing behind our leader: I am truly an American.

I have the right to question the logic and emotional impacts of this war, and I am exercising that right. I am respecting that my freedoms have been earned through philosophy and warfare, and I am asking that those wars and philosophies be looked at once again so that we may evaluate our triumphs and mistakes.

I would be less American if I stood by and said or felt nothing about our political situations and I am doing my duty as a citizen by trying to make an impact and by expressing how I feel.

To all of you who say "America: Love It Or Leave It," I would like to propose a new slogan that is more in accordance with the mission of our country as stated in our national documents: "America: Love It Or Change It."

~Tara Dellafranzia is a senior English major.

A proposal to aid some of the problems on campus

Tim Mascari presents a plausible solution to student disciplinary problems.

Throughout my years at McDaniel College I have held and shared many opinions about the Colleges' drug, alcohol and noise policies. I have witnessed the transformation of the DoCS from a laughable low-profile pinkertonesque patrol into a well-organized, highly motivated machine. I've stood by and watched as coordinating efforts between the DoCS and the Office of Residence Life have delivered detrimental effects upon campus nightlife. I have also heard the stories about increased pressure on RAs to enforce campus policies and report floor parties or risk losing their jobs. I empathize with RAs because they're just trying to do their jobs, and if you think of it that way, so are the DoCS officers, Amanda Rose and Shonda Wilson.

The aforementioned are just tools of the Administration and its' determined effort to dispel the McDaniel perennial party-school myth, at the expense of your college experience. It's the Administration and its' policies that we should be addressing, not the messenger; and when I say "we" I mean we the students who seek to better their condition. And the most effective way to better one's condition is in numbers.

What I am proposing isn't unprecedented, by any means; students have organized before right here on this campus - with success. In the late '60s women on this campus protested against the curfew policy by sleeping outside and it worked.

What I am proposing is a student's rights association devoted to bettering the social atmosphere of McDaniel College through democratic means.

Such an organization would except relative complaints or ideas about any aspect of campus life from students and address them to the Administration. It would organize social functions inlu of any real Greek presence on campus, and pressure for more up-to-date quiet hours through a campus wide vote.

This association would pressure for a more realistic alcohol policy, while also or-

I know are saying the Administration would never listen to this association, this association could reserve the right to organize strikes. Can you imagine if a significant portion of the student body stopped going to class and met in red square and protested? Of course we would call the Carroll County Times; The Baltimore Sun would love this one. It would really put a lot of pressure on the administration.

This is a completely opposed situation of course, don't organize a strike, and if you do don't tell them I gave you the idea because I didn't.

The Administration is prepared for that. In the Student Guide and Date Book under Proscriptions of Conduct on page 58 it says "Intentional obstruction or disruption of teaching, research, administration, disciplinary proceedings ..." is a violation. It also says "Attempts to commit a violation, conspiracies to commit a violation, or aiding another to commit a violation are causes for Disciplinary action."

Conspiring? What is this? 1984 come true. We now have the thought police? The Administrations' Big Brother must be broken because I've been conspiring for years. But not about having a strike though. I have never conspired to strike nor have I ever

known anyone conspiring to strike. But more seriously, that's how messed up it is around here; according to the Prescriptions and Conduct code, we can get kicked out of school for just thinking about protesting.

There is no viable reason why we can't enjoy a decent social life on the weekends and still maintain a certain academic fervor. So lets prove that to the Administration.

Maybe our inability to organize is indicative of our lifestyles - and by not organizing to work with the Administration for a less depressing social atmosphere it can only assume that we are content with our present condition. The more we frustrate RAs and yell at the DoCS officers, and the longer we wait to organize, the more we belittle ourselves as a student body. So exercise the right afforded to you by the Constitution and peacefully assemble, and if your wondering why I'm not organizing, it's because I'm a fifth-year senior and I really need to graduate, but what I will do is give out my email address and those who are interested can email me and I will put you in contact with one another. Freshman, I encourage you the most. jim2005@hotmail.com.

~Tim Mascari is a senior history major.


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Learn how to prepare relatively simple income tax returns and **earn internship credits** while you learn. Contact Susan Milstein in the Business-Economics Department at x2456. Training will take place on Saturday, January 25, Saturday, February 1, and Saturday, February 8. The actual preparation of tax returns will take place during tax season 2003.

Hey, don't you make that face!



"Look mom, it's mini me!"

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Makes you wonder how long he can hold this pose



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This is the new improved mud mask.

McDaniel College students discover what it is like to be plastered

STACI GEORGE & JENN BALLARD
Senior Writer & Staff Writer

Imagine sitting still for 20 minutes, with eyes closed and unable to talk, while someone places pieces of wet plaster bandages on your face.

For those who attended Ann Lyneah Curtis' face casting workshop on Wednesday, October 9, there is no need to imagine what the above feels like.

Curtis, who runs her Masquerade Face Casting business in Harper, Texas, welcomed approximately 15 McDaniel College students into her world of face casting.

This was a good turn out, considering a hands-on workshop like this would be total chaos with as many as five more students. Not to mention it was in stiff (no pun intended) competition with studying for midterms, the Alcohol Awareness play, and the Iraq forum.

The night began by putting this art form into historical context.

Face castings were used throughout the world both Shamanistically and Ritualistically. Her brochure says that face castings are "an ultimate portrait for all times."

Death masks date back to Jericho in the 5th millennium B.C. Henry the 4th had a mask made before he died, and it was painted to look exactly like his own face. After he had died, actors put on the mask and went through the streets portraying their deceased king, explained Curtis.

Before the students could begin casting each other, Curtis did a demonstration on Calvin Bloom, owner of Cal Bloom's Barber Shoppe on Main Street. As she went through the procedure step by step, she made sure to emphasize things like not covering the nostrils and to get air bubbles out.

Students then partnered up and the adventure began. Curtis, Calvin, Curtis' assistant Derik Weber, and art professor Sue Bloom

walked around and helped the inexperienced-yet-eager-to-get-it-right casters.

Those who have had facials in the past thought this experience reminded them of a facial.

"It was a unique and creative experience. Overall it was very relaxing and like a facial," remarked Christina Collins-Smith, a McDaniel student who participated in the night's castings.

Several pledged to have their face casted again and to continue practice casting.

Freshman Natasha Young commented, "It was a cool experience. I've never been so still in my life. I'd definitely do it again."

Young added that she would try to convince her six-year-old sister to have her model as she practiced casting.

After everyone had the opportunity to cast and be casted, everyone gathered to see what the hologram would show when the lights were off and a flashlight was

pointed on the mask-like casting.

This was the fifth workshop for Curtis at McDaniel College. Sue Bloom, Chair of Art and Art History and professor of Art, first met Curtis at the Renaissance Festival four years ago.

Bloom thought it would be fun for students to learn how to cast. So each year before she heads back to Texas after the Renaissance Festival concludes, Curtis holds her workshop.

"I love having her here. Lots of different students are here each year and they get inspired to cast more." Curtis began her career by traveling and drawing portraits. Her fascination with the human face eventually led her to making plaster (the old fashioned kind with straws up the nose) casts of the face.

In 1986 she began selling people their own faces..., and bodies, hands and feet at street fairs and Renaissance Festivals across the nation.

She and Derek Weber travel half the year and reside in Texas the other half, keeping alive the tradition of face casting. Traveling, and not staying in a big city like New York City, makes her prices more affordable by affording her a large clientele and at the same time gives people that would not normally see a craft like this a chance to experience it.

As far as Curtis knows, she is the only artist who offers double body and finished fantasy artwork of the customers themselves in clay. She also does not simply cast, but also paints the finished works to the customers' specifications.

If you want more info about Ann Curtis, Life Casting or just want to see the amazing pieces on her web site check out www.life casting.net or write to: Masquerade Life Casting 1029 KC 434 Harper, TX 78631-5015 830-864-5327

Sironka Dancers introduce culture and rhythm to McDaniel

JENN BALLARD
Staff Writer

On Wednesday, October 16, The Friends Of Sironka Dance Troupe performed traditional Maasai songs and dances in Alumni Hall for an audience of McDaniel students, faculty and their families. Multicultural Services, CAPboard and the Music Department teamed up to bring these dancers to McDaniel.

The troupe is lead by Nicolas Sironka, an artist and Fulbright Scholar from the Maasai tribe in Kenya. He exhibits his artwork at the Fulbright Gallery and believes that art can transcend cultural differences and therefore be used as a medium of cultural exchange.

Song and dance are powerful forms of communication given that the Maasai culture was traditionally an oral one, with written language introduced by European missionaries.

Maasai tribal people are suffering economic difficulties and Mr. Sironka decided to "empower them with what they had for what they need."

These Maasai men and woman are on their first tour of the United States that is expected to last through this Fall into Spring 2003 to educate Americans about the Maasai culture and raise money to help improve lives of the Maasai in Kenya.

The troupe is made of nine men and one woman, including Mr. Sironka's wife Seleina and son Amos Koinet.



"The Maasai men and woman are on their first tour of the United States"

None of the troupe members are find a better way of life for my fam-

professional dancers. Instead, they are ordinary people who are trying to improve the lives of their people. All the money that is raised through the performances as well as selling traditional Maasai beading and artifacts is to help built homes and educate their children.

Keseme Ole Parsapaet is a dancer in his mid-twenties who joined the troupe because he finds it difficult to support his wife and daughters with the money he makes raising cattle, stating, "this dance troop had given me the opportunity to

ily, and I."

The dances and songs were interspersed with Mr. Sironka explaining the significance of particular dances and providing additional insight about his culture.

Audience participation was encouraged with a Q & A session as well as dancers selecting audience members to take on stage with them to dance to a Leaping song, one that is performed by men when they are interested in a particular young woman.

Dressed in traditional celebration garb songs were performed varying from one concerning a warrior and a lion, to praising their cows, to a lullaby designed to calm children to sleep.

People who enjoyed the show could buy a CD of the troupe performing, sponsor a Maasai child, or buy artwork at the exhibit after their performance that evening and in Ensor Lounge the next day.

Maria's

A taste of Greek and Italian all in one

ERIN ROMANSKI
Commentary Editor

For a touch of family cooking and friendly atmosphere, Maria's restaurant is just what you're looking for. Combining the foods of Greece, Italy, and a touch of American, the ristorante has a little bit of everything for the average consumer.

Hidden behind McDonald's off of Baltimore Boulevard, the small but homey establishment is located directly off of route 140, approximately 1.5 miles from McDaniel. It is a shame that such a moderately priced business that provides friendly service and authentic cuisine should have to compete with chain restaurants like Olive Garden, which is more prominently displayed from the highway.

I for one would opt for Maria's if given the option in the future, especially since the wait time is nonexistent, compared with the aforementioned eatery that leaves you for 45 minutes with a pager in hand. Then again, for those people who are comfortable with a restaurant that is familiar, you may not be as willing to try something as unique as chicken Florentine or broccolini.

Warmly lit, the ambience is one of strung lights, beige walls, and white linen tablecloths, displaying an atmosphere that is casual, yet elegant at the same time. Halloween decorations of plastic pumpkins are

draped from the entryway in the middle of the room, with just enough of a celebratory touch for this time of year without being tacky.

Booths and tables are strewn throughout the open dining room in no particular arrangement, adding to the open casualty of the restaurant. I was particularly impressed with the bubbly attitude displayed by all staff members encountered while dining there; they were attentive and did not act at all inconvenienced by requests for drink refills or extra bread.

The menu consists of a variety of Italian favorites, such as chicken parmigiana, manicotti, or ravioli. Garlic bread and a choice of soup or fresh house salad accompanies every entree for an average price range of \$8.95-\$13.95, including a side dish choice of spaghetti, rice, potatoes, or vegetables.

Subs are offered for the less adventurous eaters, and Greek entrees are also available, along with the famous baklava and assorted pastries for dessert. Even pizza can be ordered, rounding out a diverse selection of menu options.

All in all, the experience was an enjoyable one, and I left feeling pleasantly full without being overly stuffed. Maria's is absolutely an optimal choice for Italian and Greek lovers alike—an obvious choice over chain foods.

Ladies, tune out the media, it's "Love Your Body Day"



STACI GEORGE
Students work together on their personal collages. Their work was displayed in Ensor Lounge the following day.

STACI GEORGE
Senior Writer

October 16, 2002 was the day women around the nation ignored the media's persona of the ideal woman (i.e. those skinny and beautiful models in idolized in fashion magazines). Instead of listening to the media, the woman only heard the words "Love your body!"

Last spring, junior Lahnna Catalino came up with the idea to have McDaniel College women participate in the National Organization for Women's (NOW's) annual "Love Your Body" Day celebration. She then got a group together and began the initial planning.

Wednesday night's event took place in the Forum, where more than a sixty women gath-

ered to watch a movie dealing with the portrayal of women in the media, a discussion of the movie, and got their creative juices flowing while making a personal collage that would be hung in Ensor Lounge all day Thursday.

"I am really pleased with the turnout and people's willingness to voice their opinions and thoughts. I would like to see it ("Love Your Body" Day) happen here again," remarked Catalino.

The night's event was sponsored by the departments of Communication, Social Work, Philosophy, and Sociology; Gamma Sigma Sigma; and the Panhellenic Council.

Donna Evergates, chair and professor of History, was advisor to Catalino and the group of student planners.

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Movie Review: Brown Sugar

A love story, a comedy, and eye candy for both sexes

KENNEDRA TUCKER
Staff Writer

"I want some of your love Brown Sugar, oooh, oooh." R&B artist D'Angelo's now classic melody would be fitting for Brown Sugar, but it is not even heard once in the movie. Instead viewers can sample new beats from the talented Erykah Badu and Mos Def as they provide the background music for a budding romance between two childhood friends.

Director Rick Famuyiwa's "Brown Sugar," starring Taye Diggs as Dre, a record company executive, and Sanaa Lathan as Sydney, a music journalist, could be dubbed "a love affair with hip-hop." Dre and Sydney grow up listening to the same tight beats which mark their entry into a relationship with hip-hop that remains a central part of their lives throughout the movie. Their feelings for each other blossom as they get older. As much as they try to avoid becoming romantically involved, their mutual friend, hip-hop, always seems to bring them back together.

The story is a romance unlike so many other tales because it uses hip-hop to add the freshness, liveliness and spunk needed to make it contemporary and appealing to both male and female viewers. It is not mushy nor does it boast the



Sanaa Lathan and Taye Diggs co-star in the movie "Brown Sugar."

typical "aw that's so sweet" response. "Brown Sugar" also gives viewers a lesson in Hip-Hop 101 with some of the forefathers of hip-hop, Big Daddy Kane and Russell Simmons making cameo appearances. It continues this lesson by exploring how hip-hop has transformed at the expense of creativity and talent and become motivated by dollar signs.

Of course, with a title like "Brown Sugar," the movie has its share of male and female "eye candy." In addition to the appeal of Diggs and Lathan, Boris Kodjoe and Nicole Ari Parker, both actors of the hit show "Soul Food" pro-

vide supporting roles. Yes, ladies you can appreciate the fineness of Kodjoe as Kelly, a ball player who tries to win Sydney's heart. Fellas can check out attractive Parker as Reese, a woman striving to keep Dre's heart.

Mos Def and Queen Latifah serve as bonuses to the movie adding wisecracks and more comedy as they try to convince their friends Dre and Sydney just how made for each other they really are. Hip-Hop, witicism, and the abundance of "eye candy" puts a twist on what could be just another romantic comedy and places it at the top of your must see list.

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Baltimore Ravens defeat Jaguars without star linebacker Ray Lewis

LEROY McDUFFIE
Co-Sports Editor

Week 7 for the Baltimore Ravens proved to be very successful with a win over the Jacksonville Jaguars 17-10. With this victory, the Ravens go to 3-3 while maintaining their lead in the AFC North.

What makes this particular victory so interesting is that the Ravens were able to win without star linebacker Ray Lewis.

This proves to all disbelievers that the team is capable of winning games without Ray Lewis in the lineup.

The game began with the unveiling of a 13-foot statue honoring the late Baltimore Colt quarterback Johnny Unitas at the stadium entrance.

In the Jacksonville game, the Ravens defense intercepted 3 passes from Jaguar quarterback Mark Brunell. The defense also was able to

stop the Jaguars twice on fourth down. The offense also made some vital plays to help ensure a Ravens victory.

Chris Redmen threw no interceptions and made 2 to touchdown passes to tight end Todd Heap.



Above, Todd Heap catches a touchdown pass in the 17-10 victory over the Jaguars. (Photo courtesy of AP/Gail Burton.)

Running-back Jamal Lewis ran for 119 yards on 28 carries.

However, the Ravens still continue to have players that were on the injured list for last Sunday's game versus the Jaguars. On offense, the Ravens went without starting offensive tackle Ethan Brooks due to back spasms. During the first quarter of the Jaguar game, the Ravens lost right guard Bennie Anderson due to a knee injury.

However, Anderson later returned to the game when his replacement, Jason Thomas, left the game with a calf injury in the third quarter.

Men's soccer falls on hard times in conference play

GREG LEDERER

Co-Sports Editor

It has been a difficult season for the McDaniel College Men's soccer team as they have slipped to a 1-4-1 conference record and have been all but eliminated from the Conference title contention. Despite the recent hard times, the team has continued to play hard for head coach John Plevyak.

In their most recent game, the team ventured to Allentown, PA to face conference foe, Muhlenberg College. It was a tough game for the Green Terror as they fell behind 3-0 in the first half and were shutout 4-0 for the final score. McDaniel had 16 shots on the goal, but couldn't convert on any of their opportunities. Senior Green Terror goalie Brent Kahuda had four saves in the contest, while freshman Andrew Wu stopped two shots.

The team's struggles continued against Wilmington College on October 15th. The Green Terror defense played valiantly throughout the first half, and went into the intermission down only 1-0. Unfortunately for McDaniel, the team couldn't put together an offensive goal in the second half and fell again on the road 1-0.

The Green Terror looked to rally for a strong second half to their season against fierce rival and national powerhouse, Gettysburg College. Being number sixth ranked in the country, Gettysburg was favored going into the contest, but McDaniel fought hard and once again went into the half down 1-0. In the second stanza, the Green Terror tried to get their offense going, but

came up short as Gettysburg remained undefeated with a 1-0 victory. Kahuda had four saves in the contest

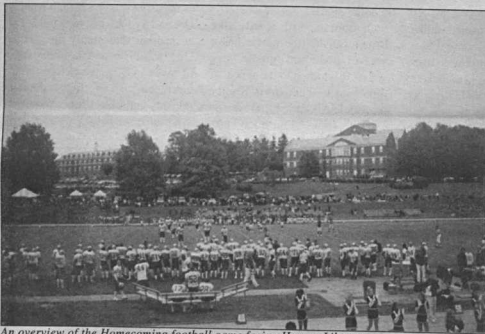
to lead the Green Terror. Despite the loss, the team played the nationally ranked opponent to a standstill and showed that their record may not be indicative of their play.

The team responded to their scoring woes on October 5th at York College. In the first half, the Green Terror struck first when Trevor Brown scored a goal off a pass from senior Ryan Tetteris and scored again when the opposition committed a penalty and sophomore Tim McCallum took advantage by netting a penalty kick goal to head into the intermission ahead 2-1. McDaniel picked up an insurance goal in the second half from Ferencz Csiki and held on for a 3-2 road victory.

As the conference season winds down, the Green Terror will look to end their in a strong note by making a late season surge.

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Green Terror volleyball on midseason surge

GREG LEDERER
Co-Sports Editor

After struggling earlier in the season, the McDaniel College Volleyball team has been playing better recently and raised their record back to the .500 mark at 12-12. The team, boasting many younger players, have gained more experience and their record has shown improvement as the season has progressed.

Most recently, the team competed in the Green Terror Invitational over homecoming weekend. McDaniel faced the College of Notre Dame in the first round and won the matchup 4 games to 1 by scores of 30-18, 30-28, 26-30, and 26-30. The team was led by senior Kate Wall's 16 kills while Tamara

Twardowski and freshman Carrie Sniffen had 13 digs each in the victory. The team struggled in the second round, losing in straight games 3-0 to Moravian College. Wall had 9 kills and 17 digs in the loss, while junior Kellyanne Rose had 11 digs as well.

The team returned to the court on the second day of the tournament, but lost to matches against Gallaudet and Scranton. Freshman Carrie Sniffen played well in the loss, posting 18 kills over the two matches.

The team looked to continue their seven game winning streak against fierce rival, Gettysburg College, on October 16th. Unfortunately for the home crowd,

Gettysburg dominated the contest sweeping the Green Terror in three games.

Wall led the team again with 10 kills, while Megan Mitchell had 15 digs in the contest. Freshman Mindy Michoff had 12 assists in an losing effort.

The team picked up an easy conference victory in a road matchup against Dickinson College.

The team used 7 aces and strong defense to sweep the Red Devils in three games 30-20, 32-30, and 30-26. Wall had another strong performance with 16 kills while freshman Krista Eiser had 7 kills and 17 digs in the victory. Mandy Hoffman also contributed nine as-

sists in the road victory.

The team continued their strong conference play against Washington College.

Before their home crowd, the team picked up another sweep in three games 30-20, 30-22, and 30-16. Wall had 12 kills to lead the team while Sniffen had nine digs, and Hoffman had ten assists to ignite the offense.

Despite their early season woes, the Green Terror have picked up their season with a seven game winning streak at one point, and improving their record to the .500 mark at the middle of the season. The team is now looking to finish their season strong as the conference schedule comes to a close.

Green Terror Standings

Volleyball

School	Conf.	Overall
Franklin & Marshall	7-0	23-6
Johns Hopkins	7-0	18-18
Gettysburg	5-1	14-11
Haverford	6-2	15-9
Muhlenberg	4-4	12-16
McDaniel	3-3	12-13
Ursinus	2-5	8-15
Swarthmore	1-3	5-14
Bryn Mawr	1-4	6-21
Dickinson	0-7	5-22
Washington	0-7	3-22

Men's Soccer

School	Conf.	Overall
Johns Hopkins	6-0	12-2
Gettysburg	5-0	11-0-2
Franklin & Marshall	5-1	6-8
Muhlenberg	4-2	10-6
Dickinson	2-2-1	5-4-2
Washington	2-4	6-7-1
McDaniel	1-4-1	5-6-2
Ursinus	1-4	6-7-1
Haverford	0-4-2	5-6-2
Swarthmore	0-5	5-9-1

Football

School	Conf.	Overall
McDaniel	4-0	5-1
Muhlenberg	3-1	5-1
Johns Hopkins	2-1	5-1
Gettysburg	1-2	3-3
Franklin & Marshall	1-2	3-4
Dickinson	1-2	2-4
Ursinus	0-4	1-5

Women's Soccer

School	Conf.	Overall
Franklin & Marshall	5-0-1	11-1-1
Muhlenberg	5-1	8-6
Johns Hopkins	5-2	9-5-1
Gettysburg	4-2	6-4-2
Swarthmore	4-4	9-8
Haverford	3-2-1	9-5-1
McDaniel	3-2-1	9-5-1
Dickinson	3-3	8-7
Washington	2-5	7-8
Ursinus	0-5-1	5-10-1
Bryn Mawr	0-8	3-11-1

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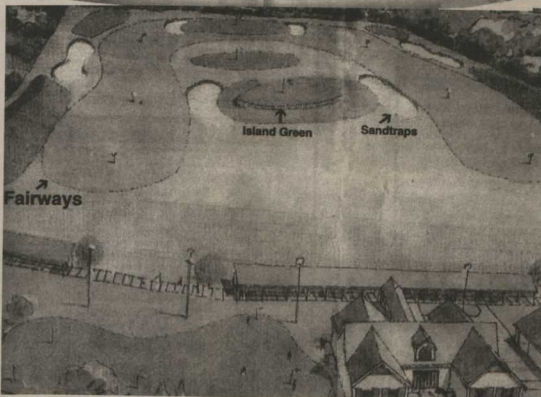
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In the extra period, neither team could net a goal as the Green Terror settled for a tie final on the road. Kugligowski had another impressive performance in goal for the team, stopping six shots from the diplomats.

With four of their final five games at home, the Green Terror are looking to make a Centennial Conference championship run in the comfy confines of Gill Field.

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Without Luster, Green Terror uses tough defense to beat Dickinson on Homecoming

GREG LEDERER

Co-Sports Editor

Without senior starting quarterback John Luster at the controls, the McDaniel College football team was minus one of their main contributors going into their homecoming game against Dickinson College.

The Green Terror still had their vicious defense and a solid performance from sophomore quarterback Orion Canine to win another homecoming on the hill, 20-0.

With Luster suspended for violating team rules, the reigns of the offense fell into the hands of Canine.

In his first start, Canine struggled early in the game, throwing an interception on the first pass attempt as the offense sputtered early in the contest. Canine, who had received considerable playing time during the season, settled down as the contest continued, driving the team down the field that culminated in three points off of a field goal by sophomore Nate Getchell.

The Green Terror 3-0 lead would continue until the end of the first half, as defense controlled the game from the start.

The Terror defense was even

more dominant than usual, as they only allowed the Red Devils past the fifty yard line twice in the contest. The game started well for the opposition as they hooked up a 54 yard strike in the first quarter to take them down to the Green Terror 34 yard line, but the drive stalled as the defense tightened up.

With a slim 3-0 lead at the half, the offense sealed the deal in the third quarter on a critical 4th down play.

Needing 2-yards to keep the drive alive, Canine ran the option play to perfection, sucking in the defenders and then pitching the ball to senior running back Jewel Johnson who sped down the sideline 39 yards to a Green Terror touchdown that broke the back of the Red Devils.

Johnson picked up 90 of the team's 223 rushing yards in the contest, on 15 carries while the passing game mustered only 52 yards in the contest in the absence of Luster.

From there, the offense would tack on another Getchell field goal and senior running back Scoots Crowell scored off a four yard run to complete the McDaniel scoring output for the game.

The McDaniel defense finished the game the way they started it, as they hounded and pressured the Red Devils throughout the second half.

The unit was led by senior line-backer Matt Wilchinski's 11 tackles, while defensive lineman Haroun Hebron had a sack and a forced fumble in the contest.

The team also received a strong performance from senior defensive lineman Jesse Hudson, who was in the Red Devil backfield the entire game and forced a late fumble to seal the shutout win.

All told, the defense only yielded 112 total yards and a slim 19 on the ground to the Dickinson offense.

Canine finished the contest, completing four of nine passing attempts while rushing for 71 yards on the ground.

The offense will look to him to lead the team to another Centennial Conference championship in the absence of Luster.

With the homecoming victory, the 2002 squad played their last home game of the regular season and look next week to their game against conference foe, Franklin & Marshall College.



Senior running back Jewel Johnson is brought down after a short gain by a Dickinson defender in the Terror's 20-0 Homecoming victory

Women's Soccer challenging for conference crown

GREG LEDERER

Sports Editor

With the Centennial Conference schedule in full swing, the McDaniel College Women's soccer team finds themselves in great shape for the championship chase with a solid 3-2-1 record in league play. The team continued to build on their strong season with multiple games in October.

Most recently, the Green Terror dominated a home game against non-conference foe, College of Notre Dame.

Senior Melissa Merson started the offensive attack with a goal off a pass from junior Christine Mayne and freshman Lindsay Lauenstein and sophomore Katie Kirley also scored to build a 3-0 lead as the team cruised to a 5-1 victory.

Sophomores Jillian Tymchy and Brooke Weimer added second half goals to ice the win as the offense kept the pressure on the opposition throughout the second half, outshooting the opposition 20-1 in the contest. McDaniel also had 18 corner kicks compared to just one for the College of Notre Dame.

Undefeated in conference play, the team hosted bitter conference rival Gettysburg College on October 9.

The teams entered the game very evenly matched and played to a stalemate in the first half as nobody netted a goal in the first half of the play. In the second stanza, the game remained scoreless until Gettysburg's Julie Girman netted a goal at the 65 minute mark to take the lead. The goal would end up being the game winner as the Green Terror fell just short in a 1-0 final, their second conference loss of the year, McDaniel senior goalkeeper Candice Kuligowski had a strong performance in goal despite the loss, with four saves.

The loss was a heart breaker for the team, but they remained positive that they can comeback from the defeat. On October 5, the team ventured on the road for a conference game against Franklin & Marshall College.

The opposition dominated the first half of the contest, picking up 2 goals, and had control for the majority of the second half, until McDaniel made a late surge.

With only 3 minutes left in the contest, sophomore Katie Kirley scored two goals, both assisted by sophomore teammate Brooke Weimer, to send the game miraculous into overtime.

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Green Terror linebacker Omar Phillip (91) and Haroun Hebron (65) swarm the enemy ball carrier



North Village apartments nearing completion

Best Western hotel residents anxious about change in scenery

KATIE CHAMPION
News Editor

With winter weather creeping closer and closer, builders are feverishly working on the construction of the North Village apartments. College officials are still hoping to move students living in the Best Western hotel in by mid-January for the spring semester.

"I spoke with the builder last week," Ethan Seidel, Vice President of Administration and Finance, said. "He said they should have two buildings completed by January."

With the first two buildings nearing completion, students are anxious about who will be moving in and when.

All forty students living in the Best Western will be the first to move in, according to Residence Life Coordinator Shonda Wilson.

Residence Life has made several attempts to make the Best Western residents feel as comfortable and live as conveniently as possible.

"We had some problems with the computer lab in the beginning of the semester," Wilson said. "They did not have AOL Instant Messenger at first but the bugs have been worked out with the equipment."

The use of shuttle buses, while seemingly a solution to the lack of parking for Best Western students, was not implemented this year.

"We used shuttle buses in the past but no one utilized them," Wilson said. "We have a limited number of Campus Safety staffing available and last time students became frustrated waiting for



When completed in Fall 2003, the new North Village apartment complex will house 120 students. The first residents are scheduled to move in by mid-January. For more pictures of the North Village complex, see page 2.

them."

The majority of students were given parking permits in an effort to make parking more accessible to them. Best Western residents knew that they would have to provide their own transportation before they signed up to live there, Wilson said.

"We haven't had too many complaints about the message system," Wilson said. "Messages are left at the front desk. It's like they have their own personal secretary."

In order to check messages, students have to call the front desk. Most commented that the most inconvenient aspect of living off-

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McDaniel College merchandise arrives to replace old Western Maryland items

NICOLE GRIMM
Staff Writer

After weeks of waiting, the McDaniel College gear is slowly starting to fill the racks in the book store.

The orders for the new McDaniel College clothes and other products were officially placed in August and as November begins, the orders are still coming in. Currently there are boxes of clothes in the back room waiting to be displayed in the store.

The process of getting completely new logos printed on the familiar book store items was a bit tedious, according to store manager Kyle Meloche.

First, new artwork was created and sent off to the vendors who then sent back proofs of the new items for approval by the book store. It is then the job of the managers to review the proofs for any problems and send them back to the company and wait for the new items to arrive.

"The process is a bit frustrating," explained Meloche. "It takes a little longer to approve the artwork and the proofs for the McDaniel College items."

One of the problems that oc-

curred was that the McDaniel College logo was misprinted and the merchandise had to be returned to the factory.

The "e" in the name "McDaniel" was printed as a capital "C" instead of a raised lowercase "c" with one line under it. Luckily this minor problem was not at the expense of the bookstore and it was easily corrected.

Book Store assistant manager Vicki Carlson commented, "It is challenging to work with the companies to ensure they produce the correct logos."

In an effort to help clear the majority of the Western Maryland College clothes and other merchandise, the bookstore put most of the items on clearance.

Consequently, many of these items were sold over homecoming weekend to the returning Alumni. Western Maryland College merchandise such as blankets, t-shirts, and flags are still available.

Alumni also have the option of ordering other WMC items such as class rings and diploma frames.

Meloche and Carlson are still waiting on some items and are hopeful that the store will be completely stocked by the mid-November.

Construction of new academic building hinges upon Maryland grant money

KATIE CHAMPION
News Editor

College officials are in the early planning stages of a new academic building. If all goes according to schedule, the building could break ground as early as this summer.

The new building is going to cost an estimated \$8 million. It will house the graduate and professional studies, the academic skills center, psychology and education departments as well as all departments in Thompson and Winslow Halls.

As shown in current plans, the building will occupy the space between the library and the Albert Norman Ward residence hall.

While college officials are getting excited about the new building, the construction depends on the approval of a grant from the state.

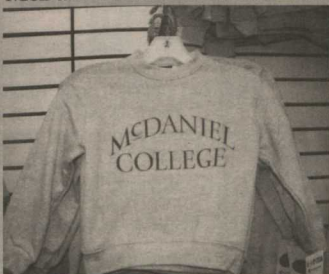
Each year the state of Maryland sets aside money for private college academic facilities. In the past, McDaniel College has benefited from these grants from the state that have aided in the construction of the library and the renovations of Eaton Hall, Hill Hall and Peterson Hall in the 1990s.

A formal presentation was made to the state agency in September. The next part of the process is for this to be submitted to the Department of Budget and Management of the Maryland Higher Education Commission.

"We have submitted our application and made our formal presentation."

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McDaniel merchandise arrives!



While some problems delayed delivery of McDaniel merchandise, new items are arriving weekly. For full update, check out the story on Page 1.

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Best Western residents to move into North Village by mid-January

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campus is finding parking when going to classes.

"It's an inconvenience driving back and forth between the hotel and school," junior Jimmy Watson said adding, "but we have air conditioning, big beds and our own bathrooms."

The biggest problem that Best Western students will face with the transition will be who they will be sharing an apartment with. Since the only people that will be moving in at this point will be the students living in the Best Western, they will have to be put in apartments with the people they are there with now.

The project started with the first building on the far side of the campus, nearest to the golf course. The second is on the corner at the edge of the water tower. Each building has two first floor apartments and two-second floor apartments.

Each first floor apartment houses five people while the second floor units house six people each. Where one bedroom on the first floor is a single due to the stairwell hallway, the matching second floor room is a double.

The second phase of the project which has already begun construction is the third building of the complex. This will house residents of PA 189 and the townhouses that will later be torn down to build another large North Village apartment building.

The vacant lot before PA 185 will become the site of a smaller scale North Village building. This will house ten students, six on the second level and four on the first level. The laundry facilities for the North Village

complex will be housed on the first level of this house.

The kitchens will have standard appliances of stoves, sinks, refrigerators and microwaves, according to Seidel.

Erica Bowman joins the residence life team from Springfield, Mass., as a Residence Life Coordinator. She will be in charge of the North Village apartments and is optimistic about the transition for the Best Western students.

"I think that they will enjoy living over there," Bowman said. "The facilities are nice

and I think they will enjoy being back on campus."

According to Seidel, by next fall, all six buildings in the plan are projected to be built and ready for students to move in.

When the project is complete, six buildings will be in place occupying the north end of campus at the edge of the gold course and wrapping around the water tower. The North Village Complex will house a total of 120 students. Five buildings will house a total of 22 residents each and one will house ten students.



A lone worker stands on top of the roof of building number two in the new North Village Complex. Construction of phase one, which began last spring, is expected to be completed in January.



Equipment from the new North Village construction continues to tie up parking on campus for students, faculty, staff, and visitors.

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Planning continues for academic building

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tation," Dr. Ethan Seidel, Vice President of Administration and Finance said. "We will find out in the spring when the budget will be voted on by the state legislature." If approved, construction could begin as early as the summer of 2003 and be done by the fall of 2004, according to Seidel.

"We need to get at least 1/3 or more to begin construction," Seidel said. "We are optimistic but realistic," Seidel said. "In a normal financial time, we could be more confident, but we are being realistic with the state's financial condition."

While no final design has been created, the new building will resemble Hoover Library. If the state grant comes through and workers can break ground this summer, the building is projected to be completed and ready for classes by the fall 2004 semester.

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Taking matters into their own hands: Honors Program students make Daniel Maclea renovations

KATIE CHAMPION
News Editor

The honors floor of DMC hall has been given a fresh new look, by its residents.

With the help of the Residence Life staff, many honors students took matters into their own hands painting and hanging curtains in their common rooms.

Traditionally, the honors program has been housed in sections one and two of DMC.

Renovations had not been done in the past few years and the residents felt that it was time to step in and take matters into their own hands.

"We decided as a group to take ownership of our suites and improve them," James Diller, project manager said. "The condition was fair at best."

It was Residence Life Coordinator Shonda Wilson's idea to initiate the revamping.

"There were a ton of dilapidated couches and awful flooring that needed some help," Wilson said.

Wilson became involved in the project as a coordinator. She contributed couch covers and worked as a liaison between the students and the physical plant. The students picked out paint colors and swatches of material for curtains. Wilson then went to Duron and the physical plant paid for the necessary items.

The honors students painted everything. Sarah Vannoy, an honors student, made the curtains.

The honors students created a committee to chose paint colors and designs for the wall coverings. "We had control over everything," Diller said. "Residence Life was very supportive and we think it looks great."

Traditionally, fraternities and sororities have been allowed to take over their floors, painting and decorating, as they wanted. The honors students decided to expand this to their organization.

In the future, the students hope to paint a mural in the hall.

"I'm impressed by them to get

10/19/02: 12:30 a.m., Residence Life Coordinators called for DoCS to assist with students failing to comply in the Garden Apartments.

10/19/02: 1:10 a.m., Garden Apartment with noise violation and over capacity.

10/19/02: 3:30 p.m., Fight broke out in Bair Stadium parking bowl after football game between alumni visitors.

10/19/02: 3:45 p.m., Underage students possessing alcohol, leaving football game.

10/20/02: 2:05 a.m., Underage non-students possessing alcohol in Elderdice Hall.

10/20/02: 2:10 a.m., Non-student found to be in underage possession of alcoholic beverages in Whiteford Hall.

10/20/02: 2:10 a.m., Fight between female student and male non-student in Whiteford Hall.

10/20/02: 2:35 a.m., Underage students in possession of alcohol in Rouzer Hall parking lot.

it done in a short amount of time," Wilson said. "It looks really nice."

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COMPILED BY KATIE CHAMPION
News Editor

10/20/02: 4:30 a.m., Student's car hit by an unknown vehicle. Damage to the rear driver's side bumper was observed. Complainant's vehicle was parked in the rear of PA 171.

10/22/02: 11:06 a.m., Fire extinguisher reported missing from Whiteford Hall.

10/25/02: 12 p.m., Student reported several items stolen from room in Whiteford Hall.

10/25/02: 7:45 p.m., Student vehicle owner reported finding door of her car standing open upon return to automobile on 10/26. Vehicle's compartment was missing several audio CDs and maps.

10/26/02: 4:59 a.m., While parked in the Elderdice lot, complainant had her back passenger-side tire slashed. There are no known suspects in this case and no other damage was reported.

10/26/02: 4:59 a.m., While parked along Stadium Drive, complainant had both her front and rear driver's-

side tires slashed. There are no known suspects in this case at this time.

10/26/02: 4:59 a.m., The owner of a vehicle that was parked in ANW upper lot reported that his right passenger-side front tire was found slashed.

10/27/02: 12:15 a.m., Student found to be in violation of his weekend campus-wide restriction.

10/27/02: 1:12 a.m., Student observed on the fourth floor of Blanche Ward Hall with an open container of alcohol. Student confirmed to be a minor with alcohol present in her room.

10/29/02: Cash machines in Hoover Library and Decker Center broken into. Thirty-four dollars was reported stolen.

10/30/02: 12:40 p.m., Student personal belongings stolen from the library.

10/30/02: 7 p.m., Graduate student's car hit in the Rouzer parking lot.

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McDaniel lecturer Suzanne Seibert edits book highlighting historical women in Maryland's history

Western Maryland College alumni featured in book of remarkable women

KATIE CHAMPTION
News editor

Two years of hard work and dedication finally came to life for English lecturer Suzanne Seibert last week.

"Women of Achievement in Maryland History," which Seibert edited, is the product of a collaborative effort of numerous researchers, writers and volunteers to bring forth recognition to some of the extraordinary women in Maryland's history.

Many of the accomplished women are noted for their significant affiliation with Western Maryland (McDaniel) College.

"The book is a massive effort to research women that date back in Maryland history," Seibert said.

The 7-year project, piloted by Maryland's first lady, Frances Hughes Glendinning, began with the realization that there is a lack of information about women who have become significant historical figures. A 13-member committee solicited names of over

The three had dinner one night and the decision was made that Seibert would be the editor of the book.

The women included in the book ranges from civil rights activists such as Harriet Tubman to politicians such as Ellen Sauerbrey. Many Western Maryland graduates are also included in the book.

Former Western Maryland College Dean of Women, Margaret Minerva Robinson (1857-1945) of Frederick County, is recognized for dedicating herself to education at a time when not many had access to formal learning above the elementary level. During her time at Western Maryland, she set an example for women to excel not only in academics but also in character. A plot near the woman's residence hall that she turned into a garden still blooms beautifully to this day as a memorial to a woman who made a difference in Maryland history.

Lillian Cleveland Compton (1884-1973) is recognized in the book for saving Frostburg State University. In 1945 she was supposed to prepare the school, then Frostburg State Teacher's College but instead gave it a second chance.

Valdetrician of her 1889 graduating class from Western Maryland College, I. Jewell Simpson went on to coauthor "Ad-

ward-won victories, as testament to women's vital role in the shaping of Maryland, the U.S. and the world," she writes. "Our correspondence and interviews sent many families to attic trunks where they pulled out yellowed newspaper clippings, diaries, and letters to help craft the story of a grandmother, mother or aunt."

The book helps to rectify historical neglect while setting an example for future generations to properly record women's accomplishments. Glendinning adds.

On Monday, October 21, 400 people involved in the project as well as many of the women featured in the book attended a special dinner in Bethesda to unveil the book. "It was really nice," Seibert said. "Glendinning gave a speech."

Seibert, who is beginning her 13th year as an English lecturer at McDaniel College, is also director of the first year composition program. She also teaches women's literature, composition and reading and ghost fiction as a first year seminar course. Seibert also serves as the Affirmative Action Director for the college.

"She worked like an absolute dog," Mangan said. "She was just so dedicated in getting this perfect."

"Our research had people going through dusty attics to submit photos, keepsakes and diaries for us to get a better idea of who these women were," Seibert said. "It was really the group of volunteers that made this happen."

650 women.

Graduate students from the University of Maryland, Salisbury University, Bryn Mawr and Yale among others spent four years making sense of the material, according to author and Salisbury University professor Dr. Carolyn B. Stegman.

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"Women of Achievement in Maryland History" is a 464-page collection of biographies and pictures of remarkable women who have made a significant difference in Maryland. The book divides these individuals achievements into seven categories; civil rights, education, community service, health and science, arts and culture, business and sports, and law and public service.

The project, overseen by Frances Hughes Glendinning, patterns a similar project in Prince Georges County, "Women of Achievement in Prince George's County History."

In her letter that appears in the beginning of the book, Glendinning, Chair of Women of Achievement in Maryland History, expresses a special thanks to Seibert. Among others she writes, "I am particularly grateful to project editor Suzanne Nida Seibert."

Seibert became involved with the project when Dr. Kathy Mangan asked if she was interested in the job. Glendinning, a personal friend of Mangan through other projects, mentioned that the project needed an editor and asked if she knew of anyone who would be willing to take on the job.

"I immediately thought of Suzanne [Seibert]," Mangan said.

ventures in Reading" among other accomplishments. She is recognized for the direction of the use of study guides for Maryland teachers.

Sarah "Sadie" Kneller Miller (1867-1920) of Carroll County is an 1885 graduate of Western Maryland College featured in the book. She went on to work in the Westminster community as a journalist at various newspapers and became known for her pictures of the Panama Canal in 1906.

By age 26 Miller was writing for the Baltimore Telegram covering the Orioles and signing her byline "SKM" to prevent her readers from figuring out her gender. WMC English professor Dr. Keith Richwine rediscovered her work and displayed it. Today she is recognized as one of the most popular and adventurous photojournalists of her time.

Bertha Sheppard Adkins (1906-1934) became the assistant dean of women in 1934, and after just two years, was promoted to dean of women. After her time at Western Maryland, Adkins went on to become the first woman to hold the post under the secretary of any government department.

Among other graduates is Ellen Sauerbrey who graduated summa cum laude in 1959 with a degree in English and Biology. She became the second woman in Maryland history to run for governor.

Other women featured in Women of Achievement in Maryland History include entertainer Katie Lee Gifford, gymnast Dominique Dawes, singer Toni Braxton, and Shirley Phillips of Worcester County, co-founder of the Phillips Seafood restaurant chain.

In her foreword to the book, Stegman, comments on the importance of the book to history. "This book's mission is to bring alive their stories, including defeats and

Heads-n-Threads hopes to woo college crowd with various unique selections

TIM MASCARI
Advertising Manager

Heads-n-Threads, owned and operated by cousins Alan Nusinov and Taylor Honkofsky, opened its doors to the public on October 15. The shop offers a wide variety of products including hand-blown glass tobacco pipes and water pipes, glass smoking accessories, tapestries, dorm decorations, vintage clothing, hemp necklaces, handbags, lamps, watches and cameras.

Smell any fragrant aromas emanating from McDaniel's dormitories lately? Well if you have, the incenses and candles used to generate such aromatic scents could have been purchased in Westminster's recently opened store.

Heads-n-Threads is located at 2B Bond Street, just off Main Street and directly across from BB&T. The 1,100 square-foot store's operating hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Sunday 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. The store is closed on Mondays. However, starting after Thanksgiving, the store will be open seven days a week until the end of the year.

The 20 year old Honkofsky, who now commutes 30 minutes every day from Randallstown to manage the shop, went to Howard High School in Columbia. His 25 year old cousin Nusinov is a native of Owings Mills and attended Franklin High School and graduated from Shepherd College in West Virginia.

Honkofsky was previously employed at Fire Flies, a similar store to Heads-n-Threads located in Baltimore. According to Honkofsky, Nusinov, who still maintains his job at Charles Nusinov and Sons, Inc., approached him six months ago with the proposition. Honkofsky's response to the idea was, "It's butta."

When asked why they chose Westminster as their site, Honkofsky replied, "Mainly because of the College and because there's no store around here like this."

When asked how sales were doing, Honkofsky said, "Business has been steady but it can always get better."

The shop offers a layaway program, and in the future, will be hosting a raffle drawing for a top-shelf water pipe. Honkofsky noted that random discounts are given to patrons who do favors for him such as getting him food.

Heads-n-Threads offers unique products with a unique atmosphere. So, if you're in the market for a new water pipe or maybe just a Grateful Dead shot-glass, Heads-n-Threads can help you out.

Attention Faculty & Staff!!!!

Working on research? Have you made an extraordinary accomplishment? Done something that received recognition for you and the college? Get recognized in the Phoenix!!



Heads-n-Threads - Smoking accessories, water pipes, handblown glass, vintage clothing, handbags, watches, cameras, dorm decorations... "Its Butta" - Taylor Honkofsky.

Forgiveness is bliss

Tara Dellafranzia looks at her ability to forgive others

This morning, I awoke in a class-sick cold sweat.

I wasn't sick and I wasn't dreaming, but the heat here in ANW had magically turned on at some point, and I came to a realization.

A realization that could only be paralleled by my favorite film

I forgave a person that, in the past, did me so much wrong and never apologized.

scene of all time in which Jerry Maguire writes a mission statement that turns out to be the best and worst thing of his life.

I woke up realizing that I have been able to forgive.

I forgive a person that, in the past, did me so much wrong and never apologized.

I deserve the apology, but my cold sweat isn't over the fact that I never got one, it's a vindication of my mind as it replays mutual civility from someone whom I'd never thought I'd forgive.

So I have forgiven my former arch nemesis.

But some people, I just can't seem to forgive.

Take Britney Spears. Should I really forgive someone who single-handedly destroyed what was once

known as the Feminist Movement? Or what about those responsible for the fact that I will probably hold a BA and no job when I graduate?

The big businesses that control the government, and the government that controls the big businesses.

The huge machines that do tremendous amounts of right and wrong simultaneously on a daily basis.

Then there is the sore spot: high school.

I've been thankfully displaced from high school for four years now.

It was some kind of nightmare prep school from hell.

But here at college, people that wear Abercrombie now talk to me, and now I don't hate them for wearing Abercrombie.

This new discovery of forgiveness wasn't religious for me.

I wouldn't even go as far as calling it spiritual, but it is another kind of awakening.

A Star Wars type of awakening, and I have returned the balance to the Force.

So after my sweat, I will shower, and cleanse again and again in the cycle of forgiveness, which may or may not turn out to be more perverse than initially suspected.

The showers will continue because of the irony that I never formally complained about the dramatic temperature changes that take place in here while I'm asleep.

~Tara Dellafranzia is a senior English major.

Excellent service by dedicated Englar dining hall employees

Emily Seal compliments Glar staff for excellent service.

Glar is one place where there is never a lack of complaints.

Students are frustrated daily with the food selection at dinner or the long lines they must wait in after their 10:20 class lets out.

However, there is one thing

...there is one thing about Glar that stands out, and that is the service of two employees, Sandi Zepp and Michelle Stevens.

about Glar that stands out, and that is the service of two employees, Sandi Zepp and Michelle Stevens. Every evening, no matter what mood I am in, I am greeted with a

smile and the enthusiastic attitude of Michelle, which is contagious.

Her positive attitude is not sporadic, but is genuine every day at dinner.

She offers helpful information about what is on the dinner menu and reminds us when our dinner favorites, such as steak and shrimp, are approaching.

And the service doesn't end there.

No matter how we feel about the food that is being served that day or night, I think we would all agree that we can't help but smile when Sandi is behind the counter.

Not only does she listen to our complaints, but she tries to pass along any suggestions we make.

When asked what she likes most about her job, she replied without hesitation, "You kids!"

That response only reiterates how much she likes her job and shows how lucky we are to have a staff that really cares.

~Emily Seal is a senior communications major.

If you have an opinion, voice it

Colby Goodrum encourages student involvement.

I have been writing for the Phoenix for two semesters now, and I have to say it is one thing I never thought I would do.

When I was in high school I remember thinking how the people that wrote for the school newspaper were such dorks, sitting in their little office talking about the weird things that would appear in the upcoming issue.

However, after working for the Phoenix I have learned that there is a lot more to putting out a newspaper than I originally thought. Granted, I do not really take part in the editing process, I merely write commentaries, some of which are better than others.

Yes, I have gained an appreciation for those who do put so much time into the editing process.

Over the past few weeks I have heard various people, students as well as professors, make comments about the quality of the school newspaper.

I have heard everything from

people saying that the paper is useless; to those who say the commentary section is just filled with a bunch of angry people complaining.

I will admit that I am one of those people that complain, but I like to think that contained within my complaint is greater point that tries to make people think.

To those who believe that the paper is useless, I would most defi-

If you are going to complain about the paper, at least take enough of an interest in it to contribute.

nately have to disagree.

Yes, the news section is not the most nationally based news, and the features section is kind of goofy, but it is a school newspaper, what the hell do you expect? Our job is to report on things going on around campus.

I would even go so far as to say that the function of the Phoenix is

not to be a newspaper in the "national news" sense of the word; the Phoenix is a forum for students.

I look at the Phoenix as a way to get my voice out to the campus community.

Whether or not people reading the paper like what I am saying is not important—if you think I am a raving idiot, that is just fine, my goal is to get people to think about events going on around them.

The other thing that aggravates me about comments on the quality of the school paper is that I do not see a lot of the people who complain show up at our weekly Monday meetings at six p.m. in the Phoenix office outside of Rouser Lounge.

If you are going to complain about the paper, at least take enough of an interest in it to contribute.

Do not get me wrong, I am all for complaining, cynicism, and sarcasm, but at least try to make a difference with your discontent.

~Colby Goodrum is a sophomore English-philosophy major.

Deaf education needed for Campus Safety officers

Emily Kirchner addresses a need for ASL training among Campus Safety.

I would like to address an incident that occurred on October 18, 2002, the night before Homecoming.

My boyfriend and I were moving my car to Harrison lot when we came across three Campus Safety officers, including Mike Webster, with four students that obviously were having car trouble.

It turned out that these students

Perhaps the officers could receive some sort of minimal training in ASL to avoid total confusion the next time that a deaf student has a problem.

were deaf. The owner's car alarm had been going off for days and her car battery was dead.

Campus Safety was having a hard time communicating with the students, to say the least, and we went to see if we could help.

I have some knowledge of ASL and I helped Campus Safety communicate with them, but I was surprised to see no notepad, something that could have aided in communication.

The Campus Safety officers

tried to turn on the car and tried to stop the alarm.

After some time, the alarm was still not turning off.

The officers didn't have any type of tools— not even pliers or a screw driver with them.

Campus Safety left my boyfriend and me at the scene with the students who still had a problem. Although the students live on campus, they still did not want the alarm to continue to sound.

My boyfriend did eventually shut the alarm off using his own tools.

It is Campus Safety's duty to help the students on campus in any way that they can.

In the case of this situation, they disregarded the needs of the students.

The officers should have stayed until the problem was solved and should have used more discretion when leaving six students in the dimly-lit parking lot.

Furthermore, there are many Deaf students and faculty at McDaniel College.

The campus is aware of and helpful to these students.

Campus Safety also needs to become aware.

Perhaps the officers could receive some sort of minimal training in ASL to avoid total confusion the next time that a deaf student has a problem.

Just a small background in the language can allow the Deaf and the hearing to communicate.

Although this problem was not life-threatening or extremely dangerous, it should have been handled

differently.

The officers should have stayed until they knew that the problem was absolved and until the students in need were taken care of.

In an extreme emergency situation, an officer would need to be there at the student's aid and be able to understand the student's needs fully.

~Emily Kirchner is a junior psychology major.

If you have an opinion that you would like to express in the form of a letter to the editor or a commentary, feel free to contact the Commentary Editor, Erin Romanski at x8073. The Phoenix is always looking for new persuasive staff writers.

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At the risk of being labeled an "anti-dentite"

Disclaimer: No dentists were harmed during the writing of this "Seinfeldian" editorial. Their names have been omitted to protect the innocent.

There is a ritual unlike any experience I have ever participated. Moreover, while it only comes twice a year, it strikes fear into my heart months in advance, as a letter arrives in my mailbox informing me about an upcoming appointment. An exam? Government polygraph test? Meeting a girlfriend's father for the first time? Ha, I would welcome those. No, I am talking about my semi-yearly trip to my family dentist.

Let me just state that I like my dentist. He is a nice guy, and I totally respect the profession that he has chosen – because people are right, dentistry is a tough gig. But let me give explain my reasons for dreading my dentist visits, one of which occurred this past Saturday morning.

See, this time they had to take some x-rays of my mouth. So, they put that lead sheet over your chest, and boy do I feel safe when the dentist and nurse jump out and leave me alone with this machine firing me chock-full of radiation with a thin sheet of lead covering my "package." Already I was weary of the remainder of my day since I was told that surgery was forthcoming to extract my three wisdom teeth. So that's exciting, ugh.

The little things in life matter the most

Tammi Slater reflects on the trivial matters of life which hold the most importance.

The little things.

They are what I've always been told that life is all about.

Watching a sunrise, reliving a childhood memory, seeing the joy on a child's face as they open a gift, a picture-these are just a few of the ingredients of life.

As a senior, I have come to realize even more the precious gift of time. However, more importantly, I have come to both cherish and respect time.

Following September 11th, that horrible day of tragedy for our nation and its people, as sparked an even greater recognition of time and how we, as Americans, often take a minute for granted.

Now here I am, practically two months into my final year of college, and I too find myself often pondering the passing of time. Approaching Homecoming this weekend made me realize this wasn't just another Homecoming on the Hill-this was it.

Never again would I, or many of my fellow classmates, attend Homecoming as a student on the Hill. In the midst of all the reminiscing of time over the past four years I often find myself going back to the same moments.

For example, move in day, and meeting my roommate for the first time, parties, clubrooms, midnight breakfast, never ending exams and research papers, formals, sleep deprivation, Glar, the night of the name change, and many other countless memories. However, it occurred to me that those times we don't credit the right things or people who fill our time.

Sure, our party memories and Homecoming activities are worthy and deserving, rightfully so, as portions of our college memories, but what goes unnoticed too often are the little things.

The string of kind, unexpected, admiring, significant, and life altering acts we experience over the course of time we call col-

lege. While this realization did not suddenly dawn on me just this year, it has never been something which I have spent my personal time thinking about.

When I did, the list of people which I named in my mind who helped me through my four years here and are partly responsible for the point I am at now was amazing. Perhaps maturity is the answer. Some would argue experience is the missing piece. I would say that it all boils down to time. For without time, what's maturity and experience based upon?

It is within time that we grow into the individuals we are today. It is within, and in between the moments that we experience the "little things." Just this past month I have witnessed many mind and time altering moments while developed in one of my most favorite places on earth-the beach.

At the close of the summer season I had the joy of seeing one of my parents' lifelong dreams come true when they became the owners of a beach house in Ocean City, Md.

It is at this very place that I find myself losing track of time. I urge all of you to seek this feeling. Find the place which seems to stop time for you, and when you do, you will experience the little things.

They are always there, always have been, we just don't always see them. But it is our duty, and I believe each and everyone should make it a priority to experience the little things in life. I say this not because they are more important, but rather because they have the ability to transform, to shape, to touch, and to instill within a feeling which is unlike any other.

For me, when I am at the beach time seems almost to stand still, and I witness acts, or even participate in ones that will and have already left imprints on my life forever. To my fellow seniors, I encourage all of you to find that something this year which seems to almost slow time. Try something new and take note of those around you; you just might be surprised at what you find.

While learning how to surf a few weeks ago, something I've always wanted to learn, I found something even more notable

person's hand stuck in my mouth with a double sided pick and a mirror. She states, "I never knew what he was saying...I never really paid attention to what he was singing about until now." I'm thinking that this woman should be paying attention to my teeth that she is prodding, since my jaw is kinda locked open with her hand, pick, and mirror in it. Nevertheless, she is a professional, so I'm hoping she can do two things at once.

After she finishes her mining and spelunking expedition in my mouth, the dentist comes in, takes a look, pokes around with that pick again, asks the floss question once more, talks about my surgery and then I am off – with a fresh toothbrush, Listerine, and of course, floss.

Now while I may be labeled, much like Jerry was, as an "anti-dentite," I can definitely say that I am "pro-dentite" – I just don't love my trips to the office. I mean someone has to make sure that all my teeth stay intact, because I am convinced that missing teeth is not a giant magnet or a good image on my job interviews. Hmm, it could be a good conversation piece though, "Hey there I'm Ed, guess what me and George Washington have in common? That's right, wooden teeth baby!"

~Edward K. Schultheis is a senior communication major

in the process. I witnessed that no matter how old, one can still feel small when by the ocean.

Finding ways to continually bring out our youth I feel is extraordinary, because for some, once they grow old they lose sight of the child in them forever.

But the truth is, a child lives in us all. I learned that the little things are more often than not the things we don't bother looking long or hard enough to see or understand. While this was my first surfing experience at the age of 21, it was also my father's at the age of 55.

But this didn't matter. The experience was one which I will never forget; however, what was most exciting was my father's fearless tenacity and youthful attitude. This father and daughter opportunity was just one of the small things that stick with you for life. One of the little things that remind us that life isn't for wishing away, but for living moment to moment. As a senior and graduation in the near future, this is a year of life in which the desire is often to speed up, not slow down. But why?

These past four years have been proven to be people and events which have grown to be me over and over again that every one of us has the ability to be, or create the great moments and little things in life. There are many individuals on this campus who come to mind when thinking of the lengths that people have gone for me in my four years here.

These moments are one of the many lessons from this college that I will carry with me, and I hope all of you have at least one you will keep alive as well. After all, it is the duties of those who aid us that help mold and shape us to this point of accomplishment.

With senior year pressing onward, my hope is that students don't wish their time away. Rather than wishing time pass, take the time to stop and notice the little things. Chances are you won't be waiting very long, for life is made of moments in time. Enjoy and savor this time, for it is bound to be one of the best of our lives.

~Tammi Slater is a senior communication major.



Edward K. Schultheis

Sniper tragedy still resonates

Now that we are experiencing the aftermath of the sniper attacks on our nation, I feel that it is time to reflect and think of how this affects each of us individually.

I know that in the past weeks I have been doing a lot of thinking and reflecting.

Of course, the initial reaction was to be angry that anything like this could ever happen in our country, especially so close to home.

When I got over my anger I realized that our nation is in the middle of a huge transition, no longer are we living our own lives,

they have instilled in every one of us is the feeling of helplessness and fear.

The dictionary definition of terrorism is the unlawful use or threatened use of force or violence by a person or an organized group against people or property with the intention of intimidating or coercing societies or governments, often for ideological or political reasons. What the sniper has done is intimidate our entire area.

I know that I am not the only one that still gets scared and thinks twice every time I see a white van. Even though I know that the sniper has been caught I still get scared.

It is almost like a warning signal goes off inside my head.

It is a reflex action that for some reason I don't think I will ever be able to shake.

Now, I can empathize more with all the citizens of New York after the September 11th attack.

What these types of people are attacking is our way of living.

They are taking away our feelings of security that by right we should all have.

So I believe that the only way to overcome them is to fight back by just living our lives the way that we want to.

Life is too short to live in fear. Perhaps the best message to send

to these messed up, crazed, lunatics is that we will not give in to them.

If we do then they win.

As a nation and a community

Lately, I have been very proud to be an American and I hope that even though our country is going through a transitional period and some hard times most of you out there are feeling the same way.

we have to stand tall together.

We have to show that we will overcome any amount of fears that are placed before us.

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—Donna Hurd is a senior English major.



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Whether these two individuals are linked to terrorist attacks or not,

Economy on a downslide, job market more competitive

Aside from the recent sniper incidents, and the onset of war with Iraq, there is the obvious drag on the economy that has been putting a general damper on our everyday lives.



Erin Romanski

You may notice it in the form of gas prices, as they soar sky high much like the summer of 2001 when we nearly broke the \$2/gallon mark at the local Shell station. Especially for those driving SUVs, we immediately gasped at the cash rapidly dwindling from the folds of our wallets.

But of course being the transportation dependent people that we are, and for most, far too proud to take the bus or walk a mile to get to our destination, we begrudgingly comply with the governments' high fares.

Could we possibly interpret the

rising rates as a wake-up call for our lazy American society?

Are we so caught up in materialism and success that we'd climb the corporate ladder without a second thought?

As opposed to a real ladder in a working class position because others will scoff at our mere earnings?

Well, yes it has become more and more disreputable to take a step down when the times get tough and we are forced to scrape the bottom of the Classifieds barrel.

We would much rather sit on unemployment for the rest of our lives, while the rest of America pays our way through a beseeching welfare existence.

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ket awaiting us.

Not only that, but the likelihood that we will have to accept a low ranking job despite our over priced education and obvious qualifications, is awfully probable.

In other words, when the times get tough, keep your head screwed on straight. For those

of us not living in a dreamlike state day in and day out, perhaps we realize that every big name corporation is not going to hand us a fat salary on a silver platter.

I know this comes as a big shock to you boys and girls clinging on to mommy and daddy's purse strings, but yes, there is a career path out there with your name on it.

Welcome to reality. After graduation, you are truly on your own, so seize every available opportunity passed your way and don't be too proud to accept a handout—it is rare.

None of us like to admit that we need help, but that in itself is an admirable endeavor.

—Erin Romanski is a junior English major.

Senioritis kicks into full swing

Staci George addresses the issue of paper writing combined with senioritis.

It's that part of the semester where I wish time could be paused like a video.

And probably other students are feeling the pressure of short-term assignments like reading a hundred pages and writing a five-page paper. As the short-term projects pile up, there is that occasional reminder of the end of semester paper that kills about ten trees because it requires that much paper.

Don't get me wrong I like to write. If not, well then I have selected the wrong career (journalism). But there gets to be a point where trying to separate the topics of three or four lengthy papers becomes a problem.

Especially when you cannot sit down and focus on one of the three or four papers that are due in six weeks because you have assignments on your to do list that are due

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in only a few short hours. Not only is it flu season, but it is also that time of year when people begin to develop senioritis (even if they are two or three years away from graduating).

Most people don't mean to slack off and give into the symp-

toms of senioritis. But it's like that marathon runner who runs so fast the first part of the race and overworks his body so that he has to slow down for the final part of the race. What happens in the last few weeks is the determining factor of the grades one receives. Ideally, I have always liked the idea of a school where grades do not exist.

One attends it to learn and interact with other scholars but does not have to focus on whose grades are higher as to validate their smartness.

I truly feel like time is running out and there is that feel in the back of my mind that the hour glass's sand will fill the bottom as I finish that last page of the first of three large papers I have to write this semester.

For those who work at a shopping mall or have taken on a part-time job in retail during the holidays, the fact that some stores are already decorated and lined with holiday merchandise makes it seem like the semester is slipping away even faster.

I planned a Halloween costume and decorated a store for Christmas in the same night, which made the whole month of November and its Thanksgiving holiday almost nonexistent. I will close with a piece of advice for those readers who are extreme procrastinators:

There is not as much time left as you think, unless you are one of those persons who only eats, sleeps, and goes to class. But for us busybodies who are in a few campus organizations, work, do service projects, and have an internship, the clock is ticking as one's stress level increases.

—Staci George is a senior communications major.



JESSICA WATSON

Sniper incidents question our comfort zones

While it would seem that we have caught the "Beltway Snipers," it would be horribly wrong to think we are out of the woods yet.

As I said in my last column, catching the assassins who had, up until two weeks ago, terrorized the D.C. area is only part of the battle.

Now that we've caught them, what exactly are we going to do?

As we tend to be when it comes to matters like this, we are not a society quite ready for what faces us.

We've got a justice system that is founded on the concept of "innocent until proven

damental objection to the American legal system. I cringe at the thought of what it might allow to happen this time around.

Even if these men are shown to have committed these crimes without question, always remains the chance that a legal "loop-hole" could impair the service of justice, or even allow these men to walk free.

Can we, as a country, really allow this to happen?

We've already begun. Now, before I go any further, let me state that I am not suggesting we do anything unconstitutional to the accused.

After all, someone HAS to be the "good guy" in the face of certain evil, and that is, without a doubt, the role America should play: after all, being the "good guy" has never done us wrong in the past.

However, I do believe that an example needs to be made here.

Those who shoulder the burden of delivering justice need to send the message that this sort of activity will never be tolerated in our society.

While we all have the right to buy guns (even the very stupid among us), we also all thereby have an obligation to see that those rights we hold dear are never taken advantage of.

Along the lines of something Dennis Miller once said, we need fewer hung juries

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and more hung defendants.

While justice might be blind at times, snipers never are.

I sincerely hope, as this social nightmare continues to unfold, that those with the power will keep that in mind.

As I've said before, more rides on this case than just the fate of two men: our very way of life indeed hangs in the balance.

Let's all hope our society doesn't collapse anymore.

Sadly, it almost certainly will.

Hold onto your seats; we've only begun our descent.

~Mike Wiles is a senior English major.



Mike Wiles

guilty," which includes a fair trial, but can we, as a country, REALLY deliver this in light of how we've suffered?

The crime these men will stand trial for is, without question, one formally beyond comprehension.

In the last two years, America has faced a lot of things that were once thought beyond comprehension, but we, as a people, have yet to do anything in order to cope with the inevitable "next round."

Our legal system is just one social agent that is currently not up to the challenge.

With the national news coverage these attacks received, can twelve "impartial" people be located to judge these men?

Can criminals that made the covers of both Time and Newsweek ever really be assessed without the stigma put upon them by the media?

Let's hope so, because it's the only chance we're allowing ourselves to serve justice.

While I personally have never had a fun-

Problems within the union

Dan Hamvas proposes that there is a so-called Xerox conspiracy theory.

Okay! With this one, I might just be digging my own grave, but as I am on the ultimate quest for truth (as the credo of my knighthood), I just can't let this one pass without my adding to it.

So this next one is about a firm belief of mine. I do believe (besides that Internet porn is a bliss, and that X-mas gifts come from the government, and that there is a life before death... and that the G-spot exists), that there lives a tiny little worker in every single Xerox (and other brand copier) machine. I have also come to the conclusion, that these guys form a society rather similar to ours. This means, some machines have some well-compensated professional workers, whereas others have cheap-labor, immigrant, illegal aliens, while others again, hide underpaid little egos trying to just hang on in there in a bureaucratic society which only knows numbers, but no mercy. However, the most important distinction between these tiny men is still the one between union and non-union workers.

The union workers get medical, dental, and food-coupons, and work from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. when they get off to grab a beer and work on their Beetles and Minis (for I have never seen a dwarf drive a Mac truck).

Throughout opening hours these guys hustle like no one else, so I have no doubts that they deserve what they get. The United States respects harmless minorities though, so they do have the choice to follow these weird patterns of behavior if they really want to. Let us then quickly, just for the sake of objectivity, list all the options these fools have to fulfill their perverted desires. So... we have

the two photocopiers in the library. Then we have the two photocopiers in the library. And then the two photocopiers in the library. And... did I mention the two photocopiers in the library? Oh, I must surely have. Because THAT'S ALL THERE IS. Two copiers with a handful of imported, foreign, English-non-speaking, cheap-labor workers.

Now, the strictly logical observer might claim, that "two copiers are one more than one person can use at a given point in time - especially with a floor separating the two from each other." And you know what? I'll give that to you. Because that is correct.

That is, until one of the non-unionist units decides on a strike, or a sabotage, or a coup against the reigning regime of the dictatorial evening-hour circulation-desk personnel. And let us not even consider the possibility of both machines collaborating in their blackmail-conspiracy for higher wages, bigger cars, or the accommodation and citizenship of their whole family. Because if this happens, boy, you're f'd with your little whiny needs.

Does that happen a lot though? No! Every other day, maybe. But the lucky ones getting stuck feel like it always happens, and always to them. You can call me a slanderer at this point, if you wish.

The unfortunate fate is, though, that I work there, and I have people coming up to me every week (at least twice - in my 13 work hours), asking for the location of "the other machine", because "the one they were using just now" is dysfunctional (paper-jam, no paper at all, low on ink, little slave guy inside is on lunch break or left to see the doctor, because the "moving light above his head is giving him migraine-attacks", etc).

So, I refer these people to the "other machine," which, for the hell of it, might just not work either sometimes (paper overfed, focus messed up, makes copies black-on-black, little non-union guy has quarrel with wife, other little slave guy has to go to the immigration office for bureaucratic business, etc.). Now, throughout daytime, this is all cool. There is usually a boss around, some body, who is above these immigrant scoundrels and is able to fix the problems, and squash the riots. But these ranking officers are not college students; they have lives, they have a home and a family to leave for at the end of the day (because they have an end of the day in the first place). After that - it's just us. Us, and them. Hence, myself never having seen one with my own very eyes. But that's because they hide, that's all there is to it. I know for a fact they are there. The voices in my head tell me). Plus, I might add, that a functional and service-ready machine is no guarantee either that the eager customer will be able to realize his long pursued fantasies of getting his own, personal copy of one of Dr. Franke's or Dr. Armstrong's kazillion reserves.

Oh, no my friends! And here is where I get to figure, that the non-unionists are actually foreign-labor. Because either A) they can't read, or B) they don't understand the working of the credit-card system - clear proof of their coming from some third-world country. Raise your hands, if you ever had the experience that you put your card into the slot and it said: "Card at maximum." Raise them high, so I can see.

For you, I shall now translate, what the little man is saying in broken English. It means, that your card cannot be processed if one of the strips has more than 20 \$ on it (not sure which one, because it is supposed to be the thin, but I had the same message when I only had 9 \$ on that one).

That is completely logical, right? You have too much money - so screw you! I wouldn't work for some rich, show-off bastard either, when I hustle for the half of minimum wage with no tip. Besides, people should know better by now; watch any movie - too much of the Benjamins always means trouble, man!

But hey! The bright side is, that now you know, that the little kobold inside the machine is sympathizing with the communists. So, next time you go, have a couple pages photocopied from Marx or Lenin as a kick-off, and he'll be your bitch.


Point is though, that the machine is not working, and you still don't have any copies as of right now. And you are legitimately pissed off at everyone (including the little guys inside the BRAND NEW photocopiers - apparently it's the same workers, only the house was renovated).

And I am wondering whether we could do something to solve these shenanigans? I mean, I can imagine a whole lot of solutions, none of which includes human sacrifice to the ancient god of Xerox.

Supposing, they put more photocopiers in the building. Or they would grant paid access through the circulation-desk attendants to operate the big-boy in the back.

Quick reality check for you guys: free country - check; individual decisions - check; different life-schedules - check; 27000 \$ a year - check; we are fed up - check; problem needs attention - check; illegal hobby in the machine needs to go - check; thanks for eventual response - check; end of article - check...

~Dan Hamvas is a senior communications major.



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Ashley Marie and the Family sing *LIVE* at the Pentagon

LAURA PETERSEN
Staff Writer

Sporting a large smile and radiating a lively personality, Ashley Marie Szymanski is hard to miss. But this isn't the only reason Szymanski is so recognizable on the McDaniel College campus. A junior this year, Szymanski has already opened for the likes of Shenandoah, Martina McBride, and The Dixie Chicks. With a voice described as sensational, Szymanski is flattered but refuses to take full credit for her achievements.

"I am nothing without my band," she explained. "We make each other, we are a unit."

Known simply as Ashley Marie, this young singer has gigs booked with her band until 2003. Each Friday and Saturday night, Ashley Marie and the Family can be found playing at a local show or performing to crowds states away.

"This Saturday we are playing at Genova's restaurant in Hampstead from nine to twelve at night," Szymanski said.

Next week could be a totally different story. She and the Family travel most frequently in Maryland, Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Virginia. Each band member is rich with musical talent from years of practice. Self taught keyboardist and vocalist Scott

Underwood has been a member of numerous bands and gives the Family a rich sound with his harmonizing vocals. Dave Staccone, bass guitarist and vocalist, has also played in numerous bands and opened for acts such as Lorrie Morgan and Trisha Yearwood. Drummer and vocalist Mike Purdum joined Ashley Marie in September of 2001 after opening for bands such as Lonestar and Keith Urban.

No stranger to writing music and playing in bands, the multitasking Mark Appleford plays harmonica, rhythm guitar and sings vocals for Ashley Marie. Lastly, Christopher Bell has experienced playing violin but now plays lead and rhythm guitar along with singing vocals. He describes playing with Ashley Marie as simply "breath-taking."

Szymanski describes the type of music she performs as "a variety," ranging from traditional, blue grass, classic rock, country, to blues.

"Some people think we play all country," Szymanski addressed a current misconception. "We play whatever the audience wants to hear basically."

Szymanski began singing at age nine when she was involved in a 4H performance group. After being noticed by the media,

Szymanski received much attention. With a decade of singing under her belt, she has just played one of the biggest gigs in her life.

"The Pentagon was such a huge honor to play!" Szymanski explained. "When we got started we were nervous but it wasn't as intimidating as I thought."

Recently playing at the Pentagon building, Szymanski described the security as simply unbelievable to the point where an escort accompanied her at all times. Photography was also prohibited on her visit.

Titled the "Salute to the Pentagon," Ashley Marie and the Family played at this series of concerts that were sponsored by the Pentagon Federal Credit Union. It was free to all Pentagon workers as a way of thanking them for their support of America. Szymanski was awarded with a piece of rock from part of the building that was demolished during the September 11th attacks.

Despite the fact that herself and the family were warmly welcomed to the Pentagon, Szymanski finds performing at McDaniel College somewhat different.

"It's weird," she frowned. "They [McDaniel College students] believe that I think I am really something, but I don't."

Claiming that her talent is



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solely from her mother's side of the family, she recollects a funny saying.

"My grandfather says that I get the bull-smack from the Szymanski side of the family," she laughed. Szymanski believes that it takes 50% talent and 50% entertainment to be successful, so the "bull-smack" tends to come in useful for

entertaining purposes.

With aspirations of being a famous band one day, Szymanski draws her inspiration from the people she meets.

"It's cool, every time I meet a famous person it makes me believe that it is not so farfetched," she explained smiling. "You know, getting a record deal."

Leaders Wanted:

The world is not looking for followers, it's looking for leaders. Let the Leadership workshops show you how.

JESSICA WATSON
Features Editor

Most colleges and universities have leadership development offerings to help college students with their lives outside of the classroom.

With the Fall 2002 Paths to Leadership development series and the Organizational Leadership Development Series (also known as OLDS), McDaniel College is doing its part to keep the student community well informed with information to help them take on leadership roles and characteristics.

An average of 15 students attend each workshop.

These workshops cover diverse topics ranging from money management to confronting your peers.

"We draw our presenters from the college community," says Betsy Chimmok, Assistant Director of College Activities.

As of now the presenters tend to be McDaniel staff. The workshops are free and open to all college students.

The Paths to Leadership series

cover topics that are more general and basic. Topics include "The Art of Mingling" and "Inclusive Leadership."

They involve speakers such as Jason Fitzgerald, Graduate Assistant for Residence Life, and Zephia Bryant, Director of Multicultural Services.

OLDS provides student organization members with the opportu-

Tasty dishes from Forbidden City Restaurant and Ledo's Restaurant provide an extra incentive for those who are interested.

nity to develop their leadership skills. These particular workshops are designed to meet the needs of student leaders and enable them to become more effective in their position. They cover important topics such as fund-raising, and speaking before an audience.

"Sometimes follow ups are done on workshops we had in the fall," said Chimmok. "This fall we had a workshop on 'Money Man-

agement' and in the spring we will have one on 'Basic Investing and Credit Management.'" This serves as a great service to the college community, especially when a lot of students would rather have this information now than later.

Another main attraction besides learning valuable information is the free meal that comes with it. Tasty dishes from Forbidden City Restaurant and Ledo's Restaurant provide an extra incentive for those who are interested.

The next leadership workshop to come will cover "Inclusive Leadership," and will be presented by Bryant, the Director of Multicultural Services.

Spaces for these workshops are limited to 25 participants per workshop.

To register for one of these workshops or to simply learn more about the leadership programs, call the College Activity's Office at ext. 2266 or send an email to leader@mcDaniel.edu.

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Introduction and discussion: Debora Johnson-Ross, assistant professor of Political Science and International Studies.

The series is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served.

Film sessions will be 7-9:30 p.m. in Decker Auditorium, Lewis Hall of Science, on the McDaniel College campus.

On November 11, "Kirkkou and the Sorcerers," will be shown. This film is an animated African fairy tale, recounts the story of tiny Kirkkou, who sets out on a quest to free his village from the curse of a wicked witch. Directed by Michel Ocletot with soundtrack by re-

nowned Senegalese musician Youssou N'Dour, this film was the winner of the Grand Prize for best animated feature at the Interna-

tional Festival of animated Film in Annecy, France and the First Prize from both the children and adult juries at the Chicago International Children's Film Festival. (French with English subtitles. 74 min.)

On December 2, "The Bicycle Thief" (1947) will be shown. This is Vittorio de Sica's remarkable drama of desperation and survival in post-WWII Rome, won a special Academy

Award before foreign film had its own category. It features a father whose job depends on his bicycle and the son who helps him pursue the thieves who have stolen it. (Italian with English subtitles, 93 min.)

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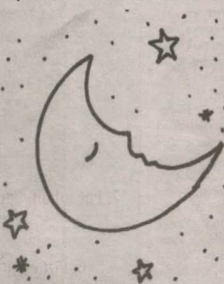
DONNA HURD & ALANA REYNOLDS-HICKS
Assistant Commentary Editor & Staff Writer

If you are looking for a great place to just chill and relax with your friends, then Full Moon Pub and Grill is definitely the place to be. Not only is it a high quality restaurant but it also has a great atmosphere and an awesome Tikki deck located in the back. Its bright lights and glittering waterfall, create a comfortable, relaxing setting to throw back a couple with the gang. There are even a couple hammocks to lounge around in while taking in the scenery.

Located off Westminster Pike in Reisterstown, Full Moon has recently become a happening spot for McDaniel college students to attend. It offers a different kind of fun then the local bars such as Maggie's, or Champs. Sometimes it is nice to be able to go somewhere else for a change. Full Moon is far enough away that you feel like you are not completely submerged in the town of Westminster, but close enough that is isn't too far to drive home.

The menu is full of reasonably priced meals that yes, even college students can afford. You can choose to eat inside or outside and in the summer and spring months it

is absolutely gorgeous. A hint of advice for those who may be celebrating a 21st birthday soon, Full Moon would be a wonderful



Full Moon would be a wonderful place to go if you are looking for something a little more classy and upbeat then local bars.

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bars.

On top of all these wonderful attributes Full Moon also offers a variety of specials. One of the most popular, recently, happens on Monday nights. It is an all you can eat steamed shrimp night. The meal cost \$10.99 and includes soup, salad, bread, and as many helpings of shrimp that you can possibly fit into your stomach. The shrimp are cooked in just the right amount of Old Bay Seasoning and are of a decent size. Basically, this is a very good deal, especially for a seafood

lover. Although, I mostly have flattering things to say about this restaurant I must warn of one thing that was very upsetting. Sodas at the Full Moon Pub and Grill cost \$2.50 a glass and they charge for refills! Not only is this a ridiculously high price, the waitress just refills your drink without telling you of the extra charge. So say there are two of you and you each get a soda and a refill, it costs you 10 bucks!

Be careful not to get sucked in to this scheme. It is a much better idea to just drink water or if you are lucky enough to be 21 then you should go ahead and have a beer. They have better deals on alcoholic beverages then regular drinks.

Overall, the experience of the Full Moon Pub and Grill is an enjoyable one and I highly recommend going at least once before you graduate. Just remember to drink water when you go.

A Conversation Between Friends

"Hey I really want to take this girl out to this new restaurant but I'm not sure if I can afford it."

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Movie Review: The Transporter

"Where the bullets miss the hero but not the bad guys"

JENN BALLARD
Staff Writer

It's your basic action fare where everyone knows martial arts, the bullets miss the hero but not the bad guys, a mysterious girl offers herself to the Hero in classic James Bond take-me-now style, and a thin yet moral plot. All of this adds up to a fun time at the theater.

Our hero is Frank Martin (Jason Statham, "Snatch"), ex-special forces, living on the Mediterranean Sea and supporting himself by transporting whatever he is asked to for a hefty price. Sexy, cool, confident, and never reveals too much about himself: the perfect hero.

He has three rules by which he operates his business; the deal is the deal, no names, don't open the package. Guess which one he breaks. Thus enters his leading lady.

Lai (Qi Shu) is the damsel in distress. And of course she is a beautiful, or else why would he help her (just kidding), or maybe he knows that once he gets her back to his house those clothes will come off to 'make up for all the trouble she has been'. She likes to frustrate our hero, lie to him, and lead him on a merry chase so at times it's difficult to know which side she's on.

Francois Berleand plays the police detective, Tarconi, who is



intelligent to know what Frank really does for a living, and intelligent to know that he can't catch him.

Tarconi doesn't really want to put Frank in jail anyway, for he is in fact fond of him and their dialogue lends some comic relief to the picture.

The first action scene is the best. It set me up for liking the movie right away because it's a car chase. I am a sucker for a good car chase and this movie delivers while making you laugh.

The only problem I had was that Frank doesn't seem to enjoy killing the bad guys. He likes to leave

them knocked out or with a non-fatal bullet wound or even tied up with his shirt. Come on!

Also, the action scenes get more and more unbelievable. It's fine if you think someone who is really strong, fast and smart could maybe pull off some of the stunts he does, but when it gets too ridiculous it begins to irritate me. The end was also rather weak.

If you like Jet Li films, you probably will enjoy this picture given that Corey Yuen, who directed The Transporter directs a lot of what Jet Li stars in.

I recommend it if you're looking for a good action flick.

TOP 10 things McDaniel College is known for

10. Campus events (coffee houses, movies, parties)

9. FOOTBALL

8. NOT knowing when construction will be complete.

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Greek Corner

A glimpse at how fraternities and sororities come together to make the grade in the classroom

JESSICA WATSON & ADRIENNE GLICK
Features Editor & Staff Writer

So maybe you have been to a couple clubroom parties and are checking out the Greek life. In your mind you are already considering which sororities and fraternities you are interested in, and you're probably thinking about the good times and the parties.

Think again. While the Greek organizations do have parties, there's a lot more to Greek life than you think. The Greek organizations here on the hill strive to meet and succeed their potential in every aspect of college life.

In the past, the Greek community has been recognized for its high achievement in academic standings in relation to the entire student body. Last spring, the sorority's (Alpha Nu Omega, Phi Alpha Mu, Phi Mu, and Phi Sigma Sigma) GPAs averaged out to a 3.07 and the fraternity's (Alpha Gamma Tau, Alpha Sigma Phi, Gamma Beta Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Kappa Sigma, and Sigma Phi Epsilon) GPAs averaged 2.96.

Such academic standings are reinforced with the support given by the members of each Greek organization. Each of these social organizations has incorporated methods for promoting high academic achievement for every involved member into his or her Greek way of life.

"Every brother has to keep a 2.5 GPA in order to stay affiliated," said Jason Lowy of the Phi Kaps. "If, by chance anybody falls below this standard, they are sent to study sessions led by the Education Chair. We are



JESSICA WATSON

also real big on rewarding those who do well." Lowy also said they receive engraved plaques for the highest GPA between little and big brothers or if they have the most improved GPA.

Sean Miller, of the Phi Deltas, says that they employ the same techniques. "Our older brothers help the younger when it comes to academics. We all save our notes and help those taking the classes we have already completed. On those late nights, many of us even study in our clubroom!"

Crystal McCubbin, of Alpha Nu Omega, comments, "We have a Scholarship Chair who keeps track of all of our women's upcoming due dates in order to offer moral sup-

port and lots of motivation to do well! Our new members are encouraged to take pride in their academics and have study hours in the library."

Making the grade not only earns you respect among your brothers and sisters, but also opens the door to several other opportunities.

Every Spring the Order of Omega and Gamma Sigma Alpha recognize Greek achievement in various areas. These honor societies are for social Greek Organizations. The Order of Omega recognizes those fraternity men and women who have obtained a high standard of leadership in interfraternity activities. This organization can only

take 3 percent of the Greek population or 15 new members (which ever is greater) with each year.

Gamma Sigma Alpha is a National Greek Academic Honor Society which bases membership on GPA and active membership in Greek fraternities and sororities recognized by their university. Upon the induction of its new members, this honor society will have 30 members.

The fraternity and sorority recognized this past spring for highest chapter GPA was Phi Kappa Sigma and Phi Sigma Sigma. Phi Kappa Sigma, Alpha Sigma Phi, and Phi Mu were also recognized for the highest new member class GPA.

Key Greek Organizations!!!

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Women's Volleyball comes up short in Conference playoffs

GREG LEDERER

Co-Sports editor

The McDaniel College Volleyball team finished their 2002 campaign at the Eastern College Tournament. It was a disappointing day for the Green Terror, as they lost their three matches in the competition.

Against Eastern College, the team was swept 3-0 by scores of 27-30, 25-30, and 22-30. Sophomore Carrie Sniffen led the contingent with 10 kills and Mindy Minchoff had 15 assists in the loss.

In the 2nd, the Green Terror fought hard, but came up short in close games, losing 3 games to 1 by scores of 29-31, 30-28, 24-30, and 24-30. Junior Kellyanne Rose had 10 kills to lead the squad.

Trying to pull out a victory in their season finale, McDaniel started hot against Lebanon Valley College, winning the first two games by scores of 30-20 and 30-26, but lost the next three games to end their season with a 13-19

record. Rose had 22 kills, while junior Marie Brennan had an amazing 29 digs.

"We had game three (30-32) and that would have ended it," said Minchoff. "Game four (16-30) wasn't very close, but we were tied up at 8-8 in game five, but fell short (11-15)."

Earlier in the week, the Green Terror ventured to Baltimore, MD to face conference rival, Johns Hopkins University.

It wasn't a good night for the team, as they were swept 3 games to 0 by scores of 18-30, 20-30, and 23-30. Rose had 11 digs and eight kills for the team in a losing effort while Sniffen contributed five blocks.

On October 26, the team played host to a tri-meet match against Swarthmore and Ursinus College. McDaniel began the meet with a sweep of Swarthmore 3-0 by scores of 30-22, 30-17, and 30-24. Rose had another strong performance

with a double-double of 20 digs and 20 kills.

The team fell just short against Ursinus, falling in five games by a score of 3-2.

The Green Terror lost the first game 21-30, but won the second game slimly 30-24. Ursinus won the third game 25-30, but the Green Terror came back to pick up the fourth game 30-27, before falling in the fifth game by a close 14-16 count. Rose led the offensive output with 10 kills and 24 digs while Sniffen picked up nine kills of her own in the loss.

With the graduation of seniors Missy Collison, Mandy Hoffman, and Kate Wall, the team is losing major contributors, but with such a young team gaining significant experience during the season, the future looks bright for the volleyball program at McDaniel College.

"This year was a rebuilding year, and hopefully next year we will be stronger," said Minchoff.



Above, Kellyanne Rose attacks the opposing team's net with determination.

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Men's Soccer plays hard in season finale against Washington

GREG LEDERER

Co-Sports editor

At the beginning of the season, the McDaniel College Men's soccer team had realistic goals of competing for the Centennial Conference Championship.

Unfortunately for Green Terror fans, the team's season hasn't been as successful, but the team looked to fight through their struggles late in the conference schedule.

The team tried to salvage their season in their final against tough conference foe, Washington College.

The game began optimistically when senior David Filo scored a goal off an Aaron Bulls pass to jump to the lead. The positive start was short lived on the day, as the opposition soon took control netting three first half goals to take a 3-1 halftime lead before cruising to a 5-1 victory. The loss ended the team's season with a 6-9-2 record.

On October 30, the team looked to pick up another conference victory in a road game at Dickinson College.

From the start, the teams played stingy defense as the Red Devils were the only team to manage a goal in the first half and went into the half with a slim 1-0 edge. Unfortunately for McDaniel, the game would end with the same score as both teams played to a defensive stalemate and Dickinson pulled out a close win.

The Green Terror got back on the winning track against Ursinus College on October 26.

In front of their home crowd, the team scored two first half goals

and added another in the second stanza to cruise to a 3-1 victory. Senior Ryan Tetteris started off the offensive production for the team with his first goal of the season, and sophomore Thomas Kane netted another goal and assisted on the team's third goal off the game by

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David Long

freshman Todd Knepper. The win was the team's second conference victory of the season and ended a four game losing skid.

With their season completed, the pre season expectations for the team fell short, but the team never quit for head coach John Plevyak. With a core of young players, the future of the program looks bright despite the loss of seniors Aaron Bulls, David Filo, Brent Kahuda, Steve Lennox, Robert Mulcahy, Ryan Tetteris, and Chris Wineke.

"We had alot of youth on the team this year, but alot of players gained experience and we have older players bringing back leadership next season," said freshman David Long.

2002 Men's Soccer Standings

School	Conf.	Overall
Johns Hopkins	9-0	15-2
Franklin & Marshall	7-2	8-9
Gettysburg	6-3	12-4-2
Muhlenberg	6-3	13-7
Dickinson	4-4-1	7-8-2
Washington	4-4-1	9-7-2
Haverford	2-4-3	6-7-3
McDaniel	2-6-1	6-9-2
Ursinus	2-7	8-10-1
Swarthmore	0-9	5-13-1

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Women's Soccer team finishes winning season

GREG LEDERER
Sports Editor

Early in the season, the McDaniel College Women's soccer team struggled out of the gate, but as the season has come to a close, finished with a solid 12-7-1 record. After finishing strong in the Centennial Conference, the team awaits a possible post season bid. In their season finale, the Green Terror looked to finish their season strong against Washington College. The team received a strong offensive performance from freshman Nikki Varoutsos who netted two goals in the contest and played stingy defense to cruise to a 3-0 victory. Varoutsos scored her first goal at the 11:26 mark of the first half, tallied another score in the second half, while fellow freshman Megan Mattson added an insurance goal in the win. Green Terror goalie Candace Kuligowski had 3 saves to preserve the shutout. The win improved the team's record to 12-7-1 and added them to a mix of teams awaiting a possible bid to the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Championships (ECAC).

On November 2, the team looked to register a conference victory against Haverford. The Green Terror played hard, but fell short 1-0. The loss dropped the team's record to 11-7 on the year.

Earlier in the week, the Green Terror looked to finish their season on a strong note against Ursinus College.

In front of their home crowd, McDaniel used clutch scoring and stingy defense to shutout the Bears 2-0. The team struck first when sophomore Katie Kirley took a pass from senior Melissa Merson and netted a goal at the 6:45 mark in the first half. Junior Christine Mayne added another goal in the second half, assisted by freshman Nikki Varoutsos, as the team picked up their 10th win of the season.

Senior goalie Candace Kuligowski needed only two saves in the contest to get the shutout as the Green Terror outshot Ursinus 17-6 on the goal.

Earlier in the week, the team ventured on the road to face tough conference rival, Johns Hopkins University.

The Bluejays jumped on the offensive early in the contest, picking up an early goal and heading into the half with a 1-0 advantage. The Green Terror responded in the second half, when Kirley scored a Brooke Weiner pass past the JHU goalie to tie the score at 1-1. Unfortunately for McDaniel, the Bluejays used a late goal by Meg McIntosh to register a slim 2-1 victory. Kuligowski had 8 stops in the goal for the Green Terror in the loss.

"We could have pulled it out," said sophomore Laura Cavey. "Things just didn't go our way that night, we are pretty evenly matched." The team registered a non-conference victory against Catholic University. In a game rescheduled twice because of weather, freshman Samantha Smith picked up two goals, leading the team's 2-1 victory.

McDaniel got on the board first when Smith used a pass from fellow freshman Megan Mattson to put the team ahead at the 29 minute mark of the first half. Catholic responded in the second half, tying the score at the 41:10 mark, before Smith answered again for the Green Terror off another Mattson assist at the 44:30 mark. From there, the team hung on for a close 2-1 win.

Ending the season on a high note after their victory over Washington, the team now has a chance at the ECAC tournament.

Ravens fall to the Atlanta Falcons in hard-fought game

LeRoy McDuffie
Co-Sports Editor

Last Sunday's game between the Ravens and the Atlanta Falcons didn't go the Raven's way. The Ravens lost a hard fought game against the Falcons 20-17. For the second straight week, the Ravens went without star linebacker Ray Lewis, tackle Michael McCrary, and starting quarterback Chris Redmen.

Jeff Blake, the Ravens backup QB got the start for the second week in a row. Although Blake threw for over 229 yards with a touchdown pass, the Ravens made some poor plays that resulted in turnovers.

Jeff Blake found wide receiver Travis Taylor with a 7-yard touchdown pass in the first half; and a

19-yard touchdown run by fullback Alan Ricard in the third quarter which tied the game at 17. However, the Falcons responded with running-back T.J. Duckett, who rushed for 13 times, gaining 75 yards with 1 touchdown. Falcon's quarterback Michael Vick, who had previously rushed for over 90 yards in the two previous games, only managed -5 yards rushing against the Ravens.

Early in the second quarter, Blake fumbled the football deep in Raven's territory which led to Falcons defensive end Patrick Kerney recovering the ball and rushing for a 4-yard touchdown.

With the loss, the Ravens drop to 3 and 5 for the year, trailing the Pittsburgh Steelers by 2 games in the AFC North.



Above, Patrick Kerney of the Atlanta Falcons runs for a touchdown in the 20-17 victory over the Raven's Photo courtesy of SportIllustrated.com

Field Hockey secures playoff spot

Katie Martin
Staff Writer

The Green Terror field hockey team secured their first ever Centennial Conference playoff spot after last Saturday's win over Bryn Mawr College.

The 4-0 victory leaves the 6-2 in the Centennial Conference and 15-3 overall.

Freshmen Danielle Unflat contributed two goals off of assists from Sophomores Clara Hollingsworth and Laura Ford. Sophomores Sarah LeBaron and Kristin Ramey each added a goal. Junior Kim Camponelli had one assist and Clara Hollingsworth had an additional assist.

McDaniel out shot Bryn Mawr 28-0.

The previous Saturday, October 26, the Green Terror shut out the Franklin and Marshall Diplomats in Conference play. After a score-

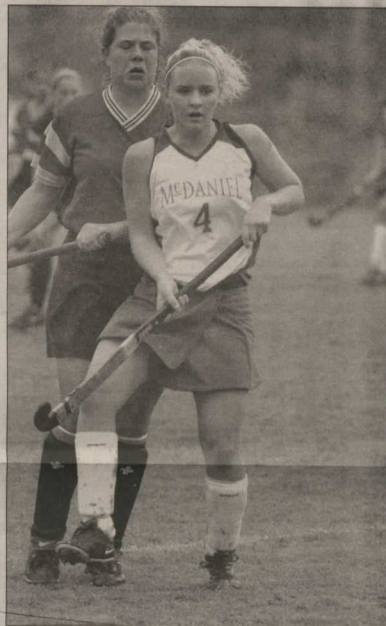
less first half and less than three minutes remaining in then second, Sophomore Laura Ford secured the 1-0 victory with a goal off of a picture perfect pass from Freshman Melanie Thompson.

The Terror look to set the new McDaniel College record of 16 wins in a season on Tuesday November 5 as they take on Washington College at home at 3:00 PM.

Other Field Hockey Results for October:

October 29th
McDaniel College - 0
Johns Hopkins University - 1

October 22nd
McDaniel College - 1
York College - 0



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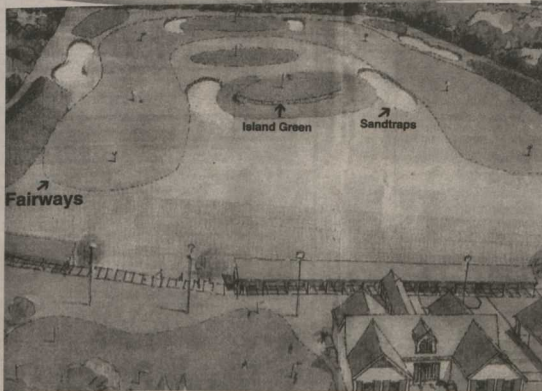
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McDaniel football continues its winning ways against rivals

GREG LEDERER
Co-Sports Editor

"Good teams win at home, Championship teams win on the road." This could be the motto for the McDaniel College Football team as they pulled out two crucial road victories over William Patterson University and Franklin and Marshall College.

On November 2, the Green Terror traveled to Wayne, NJ, to take on William Patterson. From the start, McDaniel dominated the game, using their stingy defense and explosive offensive attack to cruise to a 34-0 win.

The offense, struggling since the suspension of senior quarterback John Luster, got back on track as they let their punishing running attack pound out 343 yards on the ground in the contest.

Junior fullback Jason Hartman led the way for the team on the ground with 83 yards, while senior quarterback Scotts Crowell completed 7 of 12 pass attempts for 75 yards and found senior wide receiver Joe Ellis for a 28 yard touchdown in the first half.

After having problems offensively the past couple weeks, the team was happy to get back on track.

The defense was dominant as usual, holding the opposition to a slim 11 yards rushing in the contest. Senior safety Mike Geaneas led the unit with seven tackles, while fellow senior defensive lineman Jesse Hudson picked up an interception in the victory.

A week earlier, the team ventured to Lancaster, PA to take on conference foe Franklin & Marshall College.

Playing their second game without Luster, the offensive struggled throughout the contest as the team used a two quarterback system of Crowell and sophomore Orion Canine to spark the offense. Canine completed five of ten passes on the day for just 30 yards, but was responsible for the game's only touchdown, scoring from 2 yards out on a quarterback keeper in the first quarter.

McDaniel added a field goal by sophomore Nate Getchell in the second quarter and played tough defense, holding the opposition to a lone touchdown as they went into the half with a 10-6 lead.

The second half mirrored the first half as the Green Terror offense stalled, but the defensive unit came up big for the team as they had all year.

F & M looked to mount an upset, as they drove the ball down deep in McDaniel territory, but failed on a fourth down attempt on the Green Terror five yard line.

The unit had stopped the Dip-

lomats surge, but F & M wouldn't go away, driving the ball back inside the McDaniel 10 yard line before being stuffed again on the four yard line late in the fourth quarter.

With just 2 minutes left in the contest, the Green Terror looked to have survived a scare on the road as they proceeded to run out the clock, but made a costly mistake when senior running back Jemel Johnson couldn't handle the handoff from Crowell and the Diplomats pounced on the loose ball at the McDaniel eight yard line. With less than a minute left, the defensive unit stood tall again, stopping the opposition on four crucial pass plays to preserve the 10-6 victory.

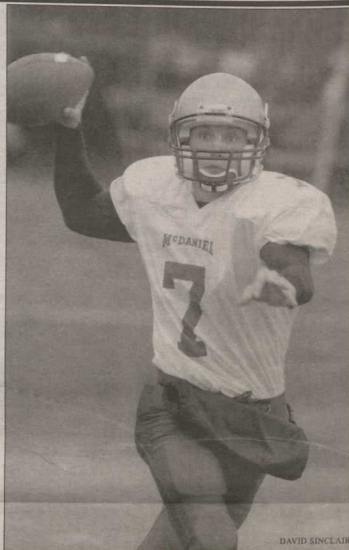
Senior linebacker Matt Wilchinski led the defense with 13 tackles while Geaneas had two interceptions in the contest.

The unit yielded 283 passing yards, but just one touchdown and a measly 49 yards rushing.

Despite his costly fumble, Johnson led the team with 142 of the team's 180 rushing yards in the game. The Green Terror's sixth win of the season was also Head coach Tim Keating's 99th career victory.

With the two road victories, the Green Terror improved their record to 6-1 (5-0) and will play next week to 6-2 (5-1) against Bethany College.

The team can win their sixth consecutive Centennial Conference Championship by beating conference rival Johns Hopkins on November 16.



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Above, McDaniel quarterback Orion Canine focuses on a receiver.

Cross Country team end year positively

GREG LEDERER
Co-Sports Editor

On November 2, the McDaniel College Cross Country teams competed in the Centennial Conference Championships at Ursinus College. The Men's team finished eighth overall, with freshman Paul Hugas leading the team with his 45th place finish in a time of 30:07. He was

tions," said senior runner Holly Thompson on the team's sixth place finish overall.

The weekend before, the Green Terror competed in the Gettysburg Invitational. On the Women's side, the team finished eighth out of 30 teams in the race, and was paced by Heinke 36th place in a time of

"I think that the team competed well despite the weather conditions."

Holly Thompson

followed by junior John Reagan who finished 60th overall in 31:24 and Calvin Woodward who came in immediately after Reagan in 61st with a time of 31:26.

"Personally, I felt that I had a solid race," said Reagan.

On the Women's side, the team came in sixth place and was led by seniors Blair Heinke (25th) and Jen Pullen (34th) who crossed the finish line in 25:42 and 25:59 respectively. Freshman Kristen Aversa came in 54th place with a time of 27:09.

"I think that the team competed well despite the weather condi-

20:43. She was followed by Pullen's 41st place finish with a time of 20:56 and Thompson who came in 63rd in a time of 21:22.

On the Men's side, the team finished 24th out of 34 teams, paced by Hugas' 77th place finish in 28:26. Next to cross the line for the Green Terror was fellow freshman Gary Markle in 97th place with a time of 28:49 and Woodward finished in 156th in 30:08.

"We have a young solid team, with five freshman, two sophomores, and two juniors so next year, we should much better," said Reagan



DAVID SINCLAIR

Terror lineman Jesse Hudson puts pressure on an opposing QB



Spring class registration is completed with minimal lines and no major obstacles

Some students left without classes of choice due to class rank

KATIE CHAMPION
News Editor

About 6,800 undergrad students registered for spring semester classes last week, some braving long lines while others were luckier.

Registrar Jan Kiphart, who will begin her third year at McDaniel College this January, said that this spring's registration process was the same as years in the past.

Students began registering on Monday morning November 11 at 9 a.m., and the last appointment time was at 4 p.m. This schedule followed the week through Thursday November 14.

This year, due to the large number of freshmen, the registration process continued on Friday morning. Many students had appointments from 9 to 10:15 a.m.

"Spring registration is always more difficult than the fall," Kiphart said. "We have 6,800 students to work with rather than 1,300 because of graduation."

Registration times were given to all undergrad students according to the number of academic credits accumulated. Seniors and juniors were the first to register and therefore had the most classes available to them.

Kiphart would like to see the process spread out over an entire week in the future. "I'd like to have it spread out longer through Friday so that we could see fewer people per time slot," Kiphart said.

However, this is difficult when faculty want to see their wait lists and figure out their classes the



While long lines have plagued past registrations, this year, the lines were kept under control by the Registrar staff, and students were in and out in a jiffy. For full information regarding the registration process, see story.

week after registration, said Kiphart.

With more students registering every year, hardware problems are eminent. Currently the staff uses a program called "Colleague" which is manufactured by DataTel.

While the most common problem faced by registrar office employees was students who were not prepared for closed classes, students complained of wait lists and closed classes.

"Many times students would try to register for classes that were closed," Kiphart said. "Photogra-

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Mishaps prepare for important concert in Washington D.C.

MATTHEW E. HURFF
Co-Editor-in-Chief

Are you one of the people caught wondering if there is anything going on this weekend? The answer to this question should be no, because this Sunday, McDaniel College's own the Mishaps are a featured band in the U Street Festival in Washington D.C. Sunday, November 24.

The show will be held at Cada Vez, which is located at 1438 U St, and will be headlined by Mary Frankster and feature 20 other bands including the Mishaps.

Lead Guitar and Vocalist Neal Page, a junior History major, says that the concert will be very important for the band because it is basically an audition for a booking agency.

If all goes well, the concert will open doors for national booking agents and bigger shows.

In addition to this show, the Mishaps were a featured band at the Jam for Sudan, held in Big Baker Chapel two weeks ago, along with several other McDaniel College

bands, Room 402 and Honey Dewpoint. Page says that the event went very well and overall they were able to raise \$500 for debt relief in the impoverished nation.

Other than these events, the Mishaps are preparing for their Winter and Spring tour and also writing new material for their next album.

Page says, "We are going to be touring on 'Get Away Volume' for the next six to eight months, but look for a new album in the Summer."

The Winter and Spring tours will be particularly interesting for the Mishaps, as they hit many venues up and down the East Coast and during the Summer, they will once again be on the Warped Tour.

Several years ago, the three members of the Mishaps, Page, drummer John Fatur and bassist Johnny Bungalow, were in other bands. However, those projects ended at about the same time, and

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National Spokeswoman leads discussion about future presidential candidate

NICOLE GRIMM
Staff Writer

An open forum was held last week on campus to discuss the platform of the future presidential candidate, Lyndon H. LaRouche.

National Spokeswoman, Dr. Deborah H. Freeman, led the discussion by delivering information about LaRouche. She stressed that presidential candidates these days do not focus enough time on discussing their platform and letting the public know where they stand on their issues. As for LaRouche, she described him as a "physical economist" who pays close attention to the national infrastructure as his big issue.

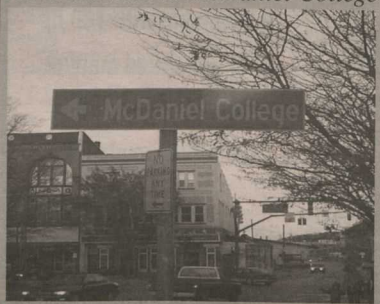
LaRouche suggests that we are in the worst depression in over 200 years and that something needs to be done about the United States' economic problems now.

According to LaRouche, rebuilding the U.S. rail system, restoring American's trust in the airlines, and expanding the waterways in the United States are just a few of the ways he plans on improving the quality of American life.

Resorting to methods of the past, LaRouche mirrors many of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's policies to improve the economic system. LaRouche looks to

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All roads lead to McDaniel College



New signs, replacing WMC signs, now lead the way to McDaniel College.

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phy closed on Monday and students could see this by looking at the closed class lists."

Kiphart explained that though the number of freshmen students has increased, the situation of students being placed on waitlists remained about the same. Freshmen have other things going on so there are alternatives in their schedules such as alternate section times and a variety of classes to take to fill requirements, according to Kiphart. While many freshmen were stuck without classes they wanted, they do have the years ahead of them to look forward to. Some upperclassmen got lucky.

"This was the first time I got all my classes," junior Karin Kauffman said.

Seniors seemed relieved to have the last registration process behind them.

preparations for concert in Washington, D.C.

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instead of joining other bands, they decided to start their own.

"We decided the Mishaps was the best name for us because of the many screwed up circumstances that led to the creation of the band," Page said.

Soon after they were offered a few gigs, resulting in their signing with Scissor Records.

Since that time they have had many other shows at clubs and colleges around the east coast.

If you are interested in learning more about the Mishaps, check out their website at www.mishapofrock.com. Tickets for the show this Sunday are available in the McDaniel bookstore for \$10.

Correction

Photos in the November 6 edition of the Phoenix were taken by Jen Parry. The photos were not credited and the Phoenix apologizes for the mistake.

LaRouche, 2004 pre-presidential candidate, stresses importance of stable American economy

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Roosevelt because he helped pull America out of past economic depression in the 1930s and 1940s.

For many students on campus, LaRouche is not a household name. In the past he has been criticized by the media and accused of being a controversial presidential candidate. He has even been labeled as an extremist.

LaRouche even spent five years in prison, charged with criminal conspiracy dealing with campaign finances. However, despite the image the media has created of him, he is currently traveling all over the world and working hard toward his campaign.

After working with LaRouche for 30 years, Freeman is dedicated to spreading his message, especially to college students.

"I speak to people all over," Freeman explained, "but currently I am focusing on college campuses. We feel it is important for the young people to be informed about the issues."

At the mature age of 80, the pre-presidential candidate LaRouche plans on running in the 2004 presidential election and competing directly with democratic candidate Joe Lieberman.

Freeman confidently stated, "LaRouche has the upper hand over Lieberman."

As for the few McDaniel students that attended the forum, the consensus was that Freeman was very informative regarding LaRouche.

Freshman Stephanie Dirla concluded, "It was interesting to see different perspectives on the political issues."

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Campus Safety News

October 31 - November 18, 2002

COMPILED BY KATIE CHAMPTION
News Editor

10/31/02: 9:31 p.m., Suspect(s) threw a pumpkin from third floor of Rouzer Hall.

11/1/02: 12:45 a.m., Disorderly subject in Blanche Ward Hall.

11/2/02: 12:30 a.m., Malicious destruction of property to the exterior Rouzer Hall railing. Interior railing and Decker middle-level bookshelf also damaged.

11/2/02: 1:31 a.m., Student documented for violation of their room restriction, failure to comply, dishonesty, intimidation, quiet hours and verbal abuse in PA Avenue house.

11/2/02: 10:15 p.m., Student documented for underage possession of alcohol in Rouzer Hall. Student written up for possession of alcohol in a dry dorm, possession of a multi-liter container, possession of hard alcohol and a fire code violation.

11/3/02: 1 a.m., Student harassing and intimidating other students in Blanche Ward Hall.

11/3/02: 4:17 a.m., Underage possession of alcohol by non-student

in Rouzer Hall.

11/4/02: 12:19 a.m., Student room vandalized in Rouzer Hall.

11/5/02: 1:20 p.m., Vehicle ran into fence outside of the golf house.

11/7/02: 11:18 a.m., Roommate conflict involving harassment and tampering with personal computer in Rouzer Hall.

11/7/02: 4:30 p.m., During a vehicle patrol, blue Volvo station wagon observed with its rear window smashed. Damage was caused by a brick. Owner was notified.

11/7/02: 6:27 p.m., Suspicious person observed in lower Decker Center asking a student for money. He was escorted to DoC's office, spoke with Westminster Police and given a trespassing warning before leaving campus.

11/8/02: 12:24 a.m., One stanchion missing from Elderdice Hall.

11/8/02: 1:30 a.m., Student documented for underage possession of hard alcohol, possession of alcohol in a dry dorm, violation of quiet hours, disorderly conduct, abuse/

disrespect of a college official, dishonesty, harassment and failure to comply in Rouzer Hall.

11/8/02: 1:25 p.m., Former dining hall employee and his wife were allegedly harassing the manager and other dining hall employees.



11/8/02: 1 a.m., Car cover stolen from student's car on Historic Drive.

11/9/02: 5 a.m., Basement of DMC was flooded causing damage to residents' belongings.

11/9/02: 10:53 a.m., Stone curb outside Rouzer Hall broken.

11/9/02: 9:25 p.m., Several females observed within the Phi Alpha Mu clubroom with alcohol. One student observed with a clear cup with what appeared to be alcohol. Various cans of beer were open and sitting on the bar and floor. Student was charged with an alcohol violation.

11/10/02: 2:30 a.m., Student assaulted by another student in Blanche Ward Hall.

11/11/02: 3:20 a.m., Students' tire slashed in Rouzer Hall parking lot.

11/13/02: Non-student urinated in Charleston Computer Lab in Hoover Library and was intoxicated in public.

11/13/02: 4 a.m., Theft and misuse of golf cart.

11/13/02: 9:30 p.m., Student took another student's ID card in Gill Gym.

11/14/02: Three cigarette butt disposal units were damaged overnight.

11/14/02: 2:40 a.m., Underage student found to be in possession of

alcohol in a dry dorm. Documented for dishonesty, failure to comply and entered another student's room without permission.

11/15/02: 1:41 a.m., Fire alarm sounded in Blanche Ward Hall. While evacuation, several witnesses gave a description and name of a possible suspect. When approached, suspect became irate and disorderly.

11/15/02: 2:10 a.m., Student A entered another student B's room and urinated on some of his belongings. Student A was assaulted.

11/15/02: 10:10 a.m., Student arrested for drug possession in Rouzer Hall parking lot.

Reminder

Campus Safety and Residence Life remind students that all residence halls, apartments and houses close on Tuesday at 7 p.m. for Thanksgiving break. All locks will be changed and residents will not be allowed back in until Sunday, December 1, at 10 a.m. Residence Life will be conducting safety checks of all residences during break. If you have any questions, contact your RLC.

McDaniel students to represent Portugal in the 10th annual European Union simulation

STACI GEORGE
Senior Writer

How much do you know about Portugal and its role in the European Union?

Thirteen McDaniel College students will be "tested" on this question when they arrive in Washington, D.C. on Thursday, November 21.

These students, along with their advisor Dr. Christianna Leahy, will be taking part in the 10th Annual European Union Simulation. It will be held at the Holiday Inn in Georgetown and runs from Thursday, November 21 through Saturday, November 23.

This is the third year that Dr. Leahy, professor of political science and international studies, and her students are attending the EU simulation.

Sixteen colleges and universities participate in the simulation. These schools include Lynchburg College, Muhlenberg College, Drexel University, and Susquehanna University.

The number "16" is representative of the 16 countries that are

in the E.U. So each school represents a different E.U. country.

Normally, a college/university is the same country for two years and McDaniel would be the Belgium delegation again; however, our school was offered Portugal when another school decided not to return to the simulation, explained Leahy.

Leahy and the students have been meeting almost weekly since earlier in the semester to prepare for this year's simulation.

Each student at the simulation portrays a member from the E.U. Senior Yuri Basnett and senior Neal Page are leading the Portugal delegation as the Portuguese E.U. Commissioner and Portuguese Prime Minister, respectively.

The E.U. commissioners have been meeting to create the resolution that will be the focal point of the simulation. The resolution is divided into sections and assigned for a certain group (i.e. a committee of the Parliament or a council of ministers) to discuss, negotiate, and vote on.

For three days, the Holiday Inn's large banquet rooms and other meeting areas are reserved for the simulation. These areas are transformed into educational settings where students will "gain critical lessons for competing in the current political and business worlds; the importance of consensus building while protecting parochial interests; the merits of co-

operative group work and learning; the value of oral argumentation and debate; the complexity of public policy analysis and implementation; and the significance of global interdependence and multiculturalism," states a 2000 study by Gretchen J. Van Dyke (The University of Scranton), Edward G. Declair (Lynchburg College), and Peter H. Loedel (West Chester University).

The simulation's agenda includes a trip to each delegation's embassy to have a formal question and answer session with a representative of that country, a satellite tele-conference with Brussels at the Finnish embassy, party group meetings, working dinner meetings at classy Georgetown restaurants, and a 10th anniversary celebration with this year's participants as well as alumni from previous simulations.

And of course, as this writer remembers from her participation last year, there will be a multitude of unplanned activities that occur. These include, early-morning meetings at Starbucks to discuss issues of the resolution in a small-group setting; a prime minister or two using late-night lobbying tactics at the hotel's lounge and bar; a little sight-seeing and shopping in Georgetown if time prevails; and scouting out Georgetown's nightlife.

Late Saturday afternoon, the prime ministers, council of minis-

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Holocaust survivor reminds students to never give up on their hopes no matter what the circumstances may be

Rubin Sztajer tells the personal story of his time spent in a German labor camp

LAURENCE ASSUUD
Staff Writer

On Monday, November 11, 2002, McDaniel College hosted a "Holocaust Survivor".

Although this is not the first time Rubin Sztajer came to McDaniel College, he was amazed by the interest students always show him. McDaniel Lounge was crowded and no one in the audience could claim not to have been moved.

Rubin Sztajer was 13 at the beginning of the war in 1939, and as a child, he did not know anything about war.

In September 1939, the large Sztajer family (he had 3 sisters and 2 brothers) had to move into a cold single room within the ghetto of Klobuck, Poland. They lived there for 3 years, 3 years of hunger and poverty. But the worst was still to come.

April 12th, 1942: Rubin Sztajer will never forget this date. Why? Because it accounts for the last time he had seen his whole family. In fact, that day he had been taken away to a forced labor camp, although he was only 16 and looked like a child. And life in the camp was incredibly cruel.

"How could you survive?" Sztajer asks



Holocaust survivor Rubin Sztajer describes April 12, 1942; the last day he saw his whole family alive.

his audience. How could you survive with almost nothing to eat (a soup used to feed the cattle and some bread at 6 a.m., for the whole day) while having to work all day long? How could you survive with a few showers and toilets for 15,000 people? Without a towel, without toilet paper? Whereas a huge number of people died because typhus had swept through the camp, Sztajer survived.

In 1943, he was taken to a concentration camp, where Nazi officers were vicious and cruel "beyond anyone's imagination." They had games they used to force prisoners to play.

"How long can you last standing on your toes?" Sztajer asks. Certainly not long, but should one give up, one would be beaten hard. "And if you did not scream enough,

they would come back." When one did not scream anymore, it was because one was dead.

Fortunately, he had seen his sister in this camp of Bergen-Belsen. His biggest fear at that time was to discover the body of his sister among the dozens of dead and naked bodies that he had to take away every day.

Actually, she found him naked and unconscious at the end of the war in November 1945. She took off her pants to dress him and

fed him with what she could. That day, she really saved his life.

"I was born twice," he said with emotion.

Rubin Sztajer and his sister came to America in 1949, although he did not speak a word of English and had no education. He really sees America as the "land of opportunities," feels highly grateful to this country and encouraged the audience to feel the same way.

We can wonder how Sztajer has been able to survive the Holocaust. "I never gave up hope," he explains. "Don't live in the past, go on with your life."

When hearing the words "Holocaust survivor," one would expect to meet a scarred for life and desperate person. Though scarred for life, Sztajer remains full of hope.

Thirteen students to represent McDaniel College in Washington, D.C., at 10th annual European Union simulation

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ters, and members of parliament will meet together to discuss the final resolution and vote on it.

Leahy is extremely excited for Thursday and what may happen at this year's simulation.

"We've been incredibly impressive because of our members from the Budapest program, who have a one-year long course on the European Union while in Budapest," she said.

This year's delegation is a mix of students who went to the simulation last year, a few Budapest students, and a few students new to EU simulation. Undoubtedly, the returning students and those who have had the class while in Budapest will share their learned expertise with the simulation's newcomers, commented Leahy.

"I think it's going to be a great experience. I went last year and learned a lot and am looking forward to learning more. It is better to learn through experience and practice than it is to learn from theory in the classroom," said senior Viktoria Kollar.

Let the simulation begin!

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An advisor's farewell to the current editors

Terry Dalton praises The Phoenix editors for a job well done.

Every now and then, one of my faculty colleagues asks me why I allowed a certain story or photograph or commentary to appear in The Phoenix. McDaniel's biweekly student newspaper. Or why I didn't catch an especially grievous error in the paper.

I patiently explain to these critics that, contrary to what they may think my job is, I am not the editor of The Phoenix. Or the publisher. Or the owner. I am simply the adviser.

In that capacity, I try to provide a lot of advice, but I see very little of what appears in the paper prior to its publication. And that's the way I like it. Yes, it can be painful to see bad mistakes in the paper.

Or to read a commentary that I wish had been expressed in a different way, a less hurtful way. Those misgivings aside, I remain a staunch opponent of what is commonly called "prior review" or examining newspaper content before it leaves campus en route to the printer.

Prior review is often a euphemism for censorship, and no newspaper adviser would plug nickel wants to get into that line of work. Censorship, at any level of journalism, is about as American as Saddam Hussein.

But there's another reason why I resist the temptation to go over stories, etc. in The Phoenix prior to publication. It's called trust. Simply put, I trust the editors to do the right thing. And they usually do.

During my dozen-plus years of advising this newspaper, there have

been one or two editors whose judgment I did not always have faith in.

But most of the other top editors have been like the two current co-editors-in-chief, seniors Ed Schultheis and Matt Hurff. If The Phoenix were a jewelry store, Ed and Matt would be diamonds. Big ones.

However, the store's hours are nearly up now, and this edition of The Phoenix is their last one. I find it hard to picture this newspaper without Hurff and Schultheis at the controls. They practically live in the newspaper office, that cozy

If journalists at any level relied on positive reader feedback to keep them going, most of them would be dead in their tracks by now. It just doesn't happen very much.

little space around the corner from Glar next to the soda machines.

Matt has been co-editor-in-chief for the past two semesters. Before that, he helped run the commentary and sports sections.

He has been a superlative member of the staff for three years, a reassuring and steady hand on a ship that has not always sailed in calm seas.

Ed's tenure has even exceeded Matt's, and dates to the first semester of his freshman year. He, too, had been a stalwart with the commentary section before rising to the top rung of the paper - a position he has occupied for four consecutive semesters.

Since 1990, the year I arrived on campus, no other Phoenix editor has served more than three semesters in a row, and for the vast

majority two semesters was plenty.

Putting out the paper every two weeks is often a troublesome endeavor. Reporters sometimes miss their deadlines. Section editors don't always show up to do layout. Computers and printers fail at the worst possible moments. The adviser pesters editors with eleven-hour story ideas. And so on.

Through it all, these two managed to retain their spirit, their level-headedness, and their sense of humor. And they always got the paper out.

So what's the big deal, you ask?

Getting the paper out meant putting in dozens of hours every-other weekend. And a "weekend" on the student newspaper calendar does not mean Saturday and Sunday. That was when they got started. The finishing part usually happened sometime between 1 and 5 a.m. Tuesday morning when they took their 16 pages of news, sports, features and commentaries to Centaur Press in Westminster, exhausted but proud.

Typically, Ed would leave me a phone message that I'd listen to in my office about 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, giving me the exact time of delivery. Then, after a few hours of sleep, they'd be off to class. Remarkably, almost nothing seemed to really bother them. Not even the feedback they'd get from

readers after the paper appeared on campus Wednesday afternoon. Most people, of course, offered no feedback at all.

Others might compliment them on an article, editorial or the color photos that graced our Homecoming issue last month. Non-student reaction, what there was of it, tended to be fairly negative, which has also been my experience.

If journalists at any level relied on positive reader feedback to keep them going, most of them would be dead in their tracks by now. It just doesn't happen very much.

In saluting the work of these two wonderful student-journalists, who have been so incredibly easy to work with, I would also like to welcome the folks who will be replacing them.

The new co-editors-in-chief are junior Erin Romanski, another valued veteran of the commentary section, and sophomore LeRoy McDuffie, who has handled editorial jobs in both news and sports over the past three semesters.

Erin and LeRoy are ready for the challenge and are backed by a solid, if not overly large nucleus of staff members ranging from freshmen to seniors.

But more help is needed, so if you have any interest in becoming part of student journalism at McDaniel, please give Erin or LeRoy a call, or stop by my office in 217 Hill. And remember, your work for The Phoenix won't be examined by the adviser prior to publication. Unless, of course, you want me to.

-Terry Dalton is a journalism professor and advisor to The Phoenix

Enjoying a final registration

Staci George reflects on life after registering for classes.

As I waited in the Forum for a mere 30 seconds to register for classes, one word came to mind to describe my final class registration: bittersweet.

On one hand, it was sad to realize that next semester would be my last.

But on the other hand, it was also a moment of relief and happiness to know that soon the trials and tribulations of paper writing, test taking, and the endless syllabus-assigned reading would be over.

In all honesty, I am just plain tired. I am tired of being confined inside classroom walls and being told what to read and when. I am tired of stressing out over minor things.

I am tired of all that comes with being an overachiever. I am tired of only being able to work a part-time minimum wage job and the constant reminders of school loans and other bills that I will soon have to start paying.

Most of all I am tired of being a perfectionist who is reminded time and time again that no one is perfect and that there is no rational reason why one should be a perfectionist.

So in a sense, all perfectionists are just plain irrational.

There were all of three people in the Forum to register when I arrived at 9 a.m. I was in and out of there in only two minutes.

This was unlike freshman year, when my registration time was around 12 p.m. on a Thursday and the line into the Forum stretched as far back as Glar.

And a lunch line had begun to form, so there were students lined up waiting for their turn at registration or to get into Glar.

Incidentally, the lunch line moved faster than the registration line.

If I recall correctly, I waited something like an hour in that line.

My final registration marked an end of an era.

Soon I will not be here to see changes made to things that don't need to be changed, nor will I be around to see those things that need to be changed go unchanged.

Most of you will understand what I am referring to without giving an example or two.

However, just because I have graduated does not mean I will not come back once in a while.

I look forward to returning to campus periodically for Homecoming, alumni events, and other activities here on The Hill.

-Staci George is a senior communications major.

Big picture is often ignored during finals

With finals looming in the not so distant future, I've begun to ask myself a question that has surely plagued philosophers since the beginning of time: Do finals REALLY matter?

All right, so maybe this question has only plagued slacker college students such as me since the beginning of time, but it is still a question worth examining.

Now, before anyone gets out of control about this, let me say that I do, in fact, understand and respect the surface value of final exams.

After all, we are all here to, above all else, achieve in our studies and make the best out of the \$27,000 we spend to stay here every year.

However, I do worry that sometimes people lose sight of the big picture in life, especially around this time of year.

So, I wanted to briefly reflect upon a few "big picture" issues (Mom and Dad: after I do this reflecting, I'll get back to studying. Promise).

Ironically (or not), fall semester finals occur during a time of year where we should all be thankful for what we have.

Or so Hallmark would have us

believe.

Seriously, though, with everything taken into consideration, it's good to be alive, especially when the alternative is factored in.

As someone who lost a very



Mike Wiles

dear family member this year, I've come to see just how important and valuable living this life, despite its many hardships, is.

Also, I must say it is good to have my health. Even when everything else seems to fail me in day-to-day life (read: I seem to fail everything in day-to-day life), my body seems to have decided to stick with me, despite the downright evil

things I do to it.

To a similar end, I am glad that most of those I love still have their health as well.

While it seems to be a lot to ask for those around you be healthy and happy most of the time, I seem to have this going for me, and for that, I am also quite thankful.

Of course, none of the above would mean much of anything if I didn't have people to care about in the first place, and for those people I care about, I am thankful.

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friends (even those I can only stand about half the time), and I could not have made it this far in life without them.

What is more, I know they will all continue to help me make the most of myself, and for that as well, I am truly thankful.

And, although I've said it

countless times in the past, I've found it bears repeating more and more everyday of my college life: It is great to have spent these past three years at Western Maryland College (that's not a typo, folks), and I look forward to spending the rest of my senior year on its campus.

Here, I've learned more than I could have ever hoped or dreamed of, both inside the classroom and out (mostly out, it would sometimes seem), and for that I am truly and FOREVER thankful.

So, there is a mere sample of the list of things for which I am thankful for in life, and I seem to add new things every day.

In light of this, I seriously doubt something so temporary as final exams should get anyone down. As long as we all keep our eyes on the big picture, life should be that much more manageable for all of us.

Oh, one more thing I am thankful for this column. Without it, I would have surely spent the last hour or so studying. So thanks, oh so great First Amendment.

-Mike Wiles is a senior English major

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Holocaust survivor yields memorable speech

Tim Mascari points out eye-opening approaches to an historical lecture.

On November 11, in McDaniel Lounge, Holocaust survivor Rubin Sztajer delivered an intriguing talk on his life-altering experiences under Nazi rule in wartime Poland.

Sztajer, who lost two of his three sisters, two brothers and both parents, described most of the physical and psychological hardships endured in the ghettos, forced labor camps, concentration camps, railcars, and death marches but intentionally left out certain segments, saying in his light Yiddish accent, "To describe it, I could not do it."

He implored that words would only be little deprivation and that certain events should be left only to the people that experienced it and to the limits of the world's imaginative cognition.

I believe his emotional yet modest portrayal of his horrifying experience was the most effective way to capture the unperceivable misgivings he endured.

As eye opening as his speech was in terms of a descriptive Holocaust experience, his attention to the lessons learned was far more imperative.

Sztajer said how glad he was to see so many young faces in the standing room only audience, emphasizing the younger generations' role as the defenders of democracy and humanity.

Sztajer made specific reference to how we should "Never forget the past but always look to the future," and it is evident that learning from the past to better the future was his main focus.

Omitting specific leaders and countries,

Sztajer beseeched how the youth should promptly take a catalytic role in halting the oppressive reign of modern forces of evil so that, unlike the fate his family received under Hitler's Germany, others lives can be saved.

He continues in this line of thought by accentuating how the free world takes for granted, not only our modern amenities and freedoms, but also the fragility of life itself.

We stand by and watch as our leaders, fueled by greed and veiled by the guise of democracy, continue to make one unsuccessful egocentric decision after another, all the while the mass oppression of the helpless is prolonged.

The objective of Sztajer's speech was not just to inform us of how horrible the Holocaust experience was; it was also a reveille for youthful activism.

His talk was designed to make us cognizant of our vital role as the world's humanitarians and inspire us to encourage change. He discussed the way in which we cannot allow evil men to rule the world and that they must be stopped.

Sztajer couldn't be anymore right. The way he shaped his compelling account of his inconceivable suffering to compel the predominantly youthful audience into a state of zealous fervor was both necessary and successful.

So the next time you find yourself making excuses for your lack of involvement in political/humanitarian affairs, just think of Rubin Sztajer, his family, and the continuing crimes against humanity that we all should be helping to forestall.

~Tim Mascari is a senior history major.

Liberalism takes a toll

Tara Dellafranza discusses a controversial debate on U.S. war involvement.

This isn't the first time I've stayed up past four a.m. to debate about the news of the day on the rather inviting AOL welcome screen. Tonight was different, though—election night.

I learned just how diverse America really is by perusing these boards and responding to a few posts myself. Apparently, some people think the economy sucks just because Monica Lewinsky did. Some just want to spread propaganda of their own about whatever cause they feel should be discussed. Many more insist that the Bible and guns cannot survive without one another—and it's not the Bibles I'm worried about, nor the guns, but the way people use them that can be devastating.

Numerous posts existed about God wanting us to nuke Iraq. I'm not just talking about one post, I'm talking about many. Not only was all of the material discussed negative, most of it was misinformed. And most of the misinformation seemed to be an intentional ignorance on the part of the post's writer.

A large amount of board space on election night was devoted to the debate over immigration. Many people want to simply close our borders to all from another country. No naturalization. They say this so easily without thinking about how they most likely got here, how many government jobs would be lost, and how many families would be separated if we didn't allow anyone else

in.

I answered some posts with just logic, some with emotion, some with both. My answers were not nearly as liberal or radical as they could have been. While I am liberal, there are clearly far more left individuals in our society. Still yet, I was called a communist for my opinions.

But that's what being American is about! It is the right and duty of every American citizen to speak up when injustice is being done! If I see an unfairly waged war, I am going to say something about it!

"A Christian nation where we take up arms." This is how many people want to define the United States of America. In fact, this is how the terrorists see it, and in reaction to what they have done, we are only proving their accusations true.

I see our country as an imperialist society caught in a grim cycle of military and cultural domination of the world. I have always felt that way, but never was I so often and openly disagreed with in any forum than on the boards on election night.

So instead of being an American citizen expressing her right, I have become an evil terrorist-commie sympathizer that needs to be expelled from the country in and to which I was born. And the fact I'm involved in a liberal press system that's just as corrupt makes me all the more susceptible to being told that the First Amendment must be curbed because our press is out of hand.

Good job, American majority. I hope you are proud of what you have become.

~Tara Dellafranza is a senior English major.

Weight room babysitting

The alarm clock next to your head shrilly blares that it is time to start the day. You, in your dull sleep congestion, turn over, smack the alarm with brutal force, and begin to throw on sweats, determined to start the morning off right with a rigorous workout.

If you are fortunate enough to avoid morning classes, you are in luck because the weight room is your friend and warmly invites you to partake in a little cardio before tackling the day.

However, don't get your hopes up just yet, cowboy. Despite your overwhelming



Erin Romanski

enthusiasm at 10:30 in the morning, do not be surprised if your hopes are shut down upon arrival at the PELC info desk.

Here, the clerk will inform you that the student assigned to "work" in the weight room (or baby-sit you in reality) has called out for whatever reason, and you are not permitted down there until the next attendee comes in.

What a load of crap is this? Now, you are expected to alter your workout routine to accommodate the schedules of work study employees? Not only is this an incredible inconvenience, but more than a little ridiculous at the college level. What exactly is it that the school is concerned with—that we will steal a dumbbell from the gym, break the treadmill, or scratch up the mirrors?

In no way am I venting at the desk clerks. After all, they are just doing their job and following the rules.

I would like to think, however, that we are beyond this by now, since most of us are in our twenties and capable of dressing ourselves in the morning.

And if for some reason this rule is in effect because one moron actually committed these acts of vandalism, I suppose it is nothing new that McDaniel College should punish the majority for something one person did.

I offer this suggestion, however. If you are going to hire unreliable workers, at least have a backup in line.

It is unreasonable to expect those who rely on the set hours of the weight room and to base their daily schedules around them.

If an employee was slacking off at any other job, wouldn't this person be fired promptly?

For those of us non-athletes without designated workout time, we apparently have no control over the many instances in which the weight room is closed to the general public because a sports team needs to use it, or a gym class is in session. Fine.

At least give us the minimal respect of being able to conduct a workout session without wreaking havoc on the equipment. I think we have earned that much.

~Erin Romanski is a junior English major.

Reflections of four years well spent as an editor of *The Phoenix*

When I sat down to write this, my final commentary as an Editor-in-Chief, I thought it would be easy thinking about what I was going to say.

I thought that I would announce Matt Hurff and my replacements and tell you who would be taking over for them, and that would be it.

However, as I thought and wrote, it came to me — my time has come to an end.

When I first started, I was a wide-eyed freshman, just looking to get involved with the paper.

I came to the first meeting, not knowing what to expect, but knowing what I wanted to do — I wanted to be the Editor-in-Chief by my senior year.

I talked with the Commentary editor at the time, Kristen Frazer, and found out that she was looking for an assistant editor.

Well, I jumped at the task, and by the end of my first year, I was the Commentary Editor and had convinced Matt to be my assistant, since he was a good friend of mine. After the first half of my sophomore year, Matt moved to take over in Sports and I then convinced another friend, BJ Shorb, to be my assistant.

After that semester, I moved up to take over Laura Kelley and Jen Sirkis' place as Co-Editor-in-Chief, along with Claire Adams. This was then Commentary Editor for a semester, at which time Matt traversed back to Commentary from Sports.

Perhaps this is why Professor Dalton referred to him as a "jack-of-all-trades."

So, while I walked into The Phoenix wanting to become the top editor during my senior year, here I was the co-editor of the newspaper during the last semester of my sophomore year.

Suffice to say, I was elated with the results.

After Claire completed her year, Matt moved from Commentary and became the co-editor with me during our junior year.

Now that I have completed 24 editions of the Phoenix, 12 each with Claire and Matt, I can truly say that I am in need of a break.

I must admit that a good part of me is going to miss this even though this year has been a long trek for both Matt and I, and it is finally time to turn over the reins, and to step back.

Erin Romkowski became involved with the staff during her sophomore year, when she was the assistant editor under Matt.

When Matt moved up, Erin took over and has been in charge of the Commentary section for the past year.

She has shown through her work and dedication to the newspaper to be a natural choice to take over our place — and we are thrilled that she is excited about the new opportunity.

LeRoy McDuffie was a freshman when he started working on the newspaper.



Edward K. Schultheis

He became News Editor along with Jessica Watson when Claire moved up and Staci George completed her tenure as News Editor. When Jessica moved to Features, LeRoy took over full time in News, and just recently moved to Sports.

His experience of dabbling in many sections also made him a solid choice for the position of Co-

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Editor-in-Chief.

Both Matt and I feel that the current position of The Phoenix is a positive one.

A core of veteran student journalists is anchoring the staff, and the future is looking bright with many freshmen contributing regularly to the paper.

This semester we also introduced the McDaniel community to The Phoenix in color.

Hopefully in the coming semesters, color will be seen regularly and more frequent — along with many other additions.

Certainly, we could not have done this without the help of our editors and staff and they have our eternal thanks for all the hard work they have done with little credit.

While some people would like to criticize the newspaper, I wish they could appreciate the hard work that all members of the staff endure to publish every edition of the Phoenix.

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We know that they will do a

great job as the new Editors of the paper, and hope that the college community will aid them whenever possible.

I will state again, like so many times before, to get involved, because it is not just Erin and LeRoy's newspaper, but the McDaniel College newspaper — so get involved, make a difference on campus.

Lastly, I need to thank Professor Terry Dalton, who has always been a beacon of inspiration, support, and encouragement during the years — especially during my tenure as Editor.

No matter what, he has backed the decisions we have made, and without his support, there is no telling where we would be.

A champion of student press, and a trusted advisor to The Phoenix and countless students, you rarely receive enough credit as well.

So thank you, Professor Dalton, for just being the person that you are — because I know that we do not say it enough.

While my time has indeed come to an end, I look at the future with hope that The Phoenix will continue to gain strength and I know that with the current staff, the outlook looks good.

Finally, I leave you with something my girlfriend at the time said during my sophomore year: She stated that in ten years, no one would remember that I was the editor of a small newspaper at a small college.

I initially kind of agreed with her sentiment, but it was not until now that I truly gave it some thought.

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She is wrong.

While other people may not remember who I was or what I did while I was here, I will remember, and in the end, that is indisputably good enough for me.

Thank you.

—Edward K. Schultheis is a senior communications major.

People skills are lacking socially

Dan Hamvas approaches social issues in casual settings.

Hi! It's Dan the Man bitching again! And this time I came up with something which might make me sound like a whiny-but, but hey — it's a free country!

Let me bitch away about my stuff, and keep your opinions for yourself (nobody cares anyway. Suck it up and deal!). Today, it's a cultural issue, or rather a social one. In my mind, I would describe it as a social attitude problem related to basic courtesy.

And this problem goes a little something like this: there are a couple of people on this campus who I happen to know one way or the other. I usually know them from class, so let that be my home-base. So we go to the same class for months, and time goes by, and we don't even really interact on a personal basis, but since we sit in the same damned space and see each other two or three times a week, I would think they can recognize my ugly face.

And here comes the trick, because whenever I meet them in a different environment (may it be GLAR, the library, or just any random part of the campus), they don't seem to recognize me. I try to smile at them, but as soon as I would engage in the greeting ritual, they turn their heads and don't see me any more.

Now, as this occurs with the same people on a regular basis, I must assume that it's not just accident or them "having a bad day." Furthermore, I must also assume that it's not my "bad day" scaring them away, because I honestly try to look encouraging and enthusiastic about this superficial rite. So what can it be that motivates them to ignore me?

I started the analysis on the organic level, which suggested that their brains might have stagnated in an underdeveloped psychological stage, where these people pair certain sensory impressions with others.

They do recognize me in a certain setting (as part of it), but once we're out of that familiar background, all of a sudden, I lose my connection to their world. By myself I'm not a stimulus any more that could start a chain of associations in them. They seem to need the familiar atmosphere for recognition, otherwise I'm just a stranger.

Or they might be afraid of me, personally. They might be afraid that if they, in fact, did say "Hi!", I would put them in a headlock, and give them the Rock Bottom Special. Or God knows, I might even ask them: "How are you doing?" and engage in a short, but meaningless, continental conversation, which is generally full of disinterest, but hey, at least it's harmless.

To those who think along with

me right now, I'm sorry if I burst the bubbles of a "reasonable" potential answer, but the "no-greeting problem" definitely does not occur, because I am an alien on a legal F-1 visa in the States.

To suppose that these people might be afraid of the humiliation of an unreturned greeting, performing negligence as a defensive tactic, would be a very dangerous stretch, as that would imply that they have been facing similar problems in their lives, which in turn would point towards what I am arguing for: the social problem.

To the solution: "Hey buddy. They hate your guts. Of course they won't say 'Hi'". I really can't say anything. The word I'd be looking for to this theory would be "presumptive" or "prejudicial" which is again: a social behavior problem. And here I run out of theories. I just can't think of any other reasons why people would behave in a way that is best described as "rude" and "impolite".

But I won't use those words for my part, because some people, who boast of knowing me "too well" (but let's face it: you guys really don't. Ha-ha!), might accuse me of hypocrisy (whereas I believe in having class and values: principle of honesty is something I try to cultivate; principle of ass-kissing and being superficial, I try to avoid). I'd rather use the expression: "it's extremely bothersome".

Because that's what it is. To be looked through, treated as air, handled as dirt is really humiliating, and it leaves a scar on one's own dignity. I mean, all it takes is a "Hello" or a "Hi" to make someone feel like he was human too. Like he wasn't some outcast. Especially if he hasn't given us a reason to be treated that way.

So let's all just look inside ourselves and make that effort of saying "Hello" to the ones we know because I just don't buy the "they just didn't see you" nonsense.

But there is a gap as huge as the Grand Canyon between being superficially caring and pseudo-friendly (shameful but harmless), and being deliberately ignoring (shameful and hurting).

And to those, who don't know what this idiot's problem is, I'm coming from a world, where if you hate somebody, both of you know it, and don't act like everything is A-OK; if you know somebody, you say "Hi", and move on without asking how he is. If you love somebody, you ask the person how he is, and care about his answer, and if he asks back you tell him honestly how you are.

Let's try therefore to further our college education by learning how to say nothing more, but a simple "Hi!". Because the others are not stupid, and when you close your eyes the world doesn't cease to exist.

—Dan Hamvas is a senior communications major.

Gym classes lead to further endeavors

Dan Hamvas looks at the positive aspects of gym classes on the mind and body.

Okay! This next one goes out to the Athletic Department, and I can already see that some people are not going to like me for it. But who the hell cares?

I'm not in the game for the rep, right? If I was, everybody would love me, and think that I'm cool, because I'm down with what-ever.

I personally think that gym classes are cool.

Physical activity is (or at least should be) a vital part of the healthy functioning of human beings, and I'm not sure whether I could list all the beneficial effects a little "body moving" can have on the individual as well as on the individual's mind.

So if we can subscribe to the necessity of public schooling, the idea of mandatory moving shouldn't be that big a deal either—especially if we consider that sports classes at McDaniel are only a month long, with at most 12 classes and always 12 hours (that is half a day for those in the cheaper seats).

And actually, it is even less, if we consider how the 12 hours include: stretching, warming up, putting on/putting off equipment, taking off/down equipment, listening to all the theory gibberish, and, last but not least, slacking.

Furthermore, the department is generous enough that they even consider the athletically challenged by offering classes like jogging (duh!) or backpacking.

(If you can fail that one, you're my guest for your choice of alcoholic beverages until you drink yourself into oblivion over the shame).

And still, there are a couple of whiny-but, spoiled sissies, who get a cramp if they only as much as look at a round object, and definitely show all symptoms of a seizure upon hearing the word sports.

For these guys out there: GET A LIFE! Same goes to the "jeans-athletes," the guys who show up to a class of active sports in jeans and a shirt or a nice top.

I'd like to know what shoots through the mind of these people, when they wake up in the morning and look at their schedule?

Or maybe their perspiration has been disabled, and after a refreshing round of badminton, they're good to go and sit in a class for a couple hours more before any sign appears on them that would require hygienic interference.

More likely though, they either have different hygienic expectations than most of us, or they are not doing jack in the class.

The point I'm trying to make has nothing to do with the whiners actually. I just wanted to take a firm stand beside gym classes. And on that note, I would like to make a proposal. Actually two.

The first one is concerning me and the masses, who are into sports and sports classes.

There are a couple of us who have been playing the sport we take the class in for long years.

Having to start over again from "this is a ball" might not get us to extreme, otherworldly excitement levels—in the case of a team sport it might even become a "piss-off factor" for both us as well as the rookies if we are made to play together.

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sports classes myself, that some people do fall in love with the sport they just took a class in, when they realize that they could be any good it.

Now why would these people have to give up on their new-found dream?

Sure, making us get to know more types of sports and acquire a sports-cultural taste is a valid point behind not letting us take the same sport again for credit, but what if we wanted to take that advanced class not because we are slackers, but because we like the sport?

The question, in short, is: why couldn't the athletic department also offer advanced classes in the sports arts already offered on the intro level?

Or am I expecting too much with such daring and visionary request?

As much as I like the selection of sports classes currently offered for intro level, there's one thing I like even more: special topics classes... plus things that aren't on the

list right now.

Simple classes would do fine in the first round, especially if the stuff is readily available, as it is, in fact, being played in this college either on the intercollegiate or intramural level, or both. I'm talking about sports like soccer, track, baseball, or swimming, or the most popular piece of American cultural heritage on and off campus: FOOTBALL.

Or they could offer sports that are present on campus in a club form, but are not all that popular or much played by the majority of the student body.

I mean, if we do fencing classes without having an actual fencing team, what stops us from having an ultimate frisbee class, when we have an ultimate frisbee team?

Or floor hockey? Or even Aikido? These sports are all represented at McDaniel College.

And then of course, wouldn't it be cool to have some more of the special topics classes?

Excuses could always be found against this proposal, but consider this: if we already run a skiing class, why can't we have a much more cost-efficient and less time consuming ice skating class or ice hockey?

We don't have the facilities, right? Well, how about a pool class, a nine-ball class?

Sledding would be awesome in the season, even though meteorological factors are rather hard to influence, and that could easily result in the class being cancelled more times than not.

And if everything else fails, low "physical-input" sports might be about the row

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of bowling and fitness walking, such as pinball, poker, chess, checkers, Internet hearts, or Gamecube!

My guess is, it won't be long before these will also be featured in the Olympic games, so why not get ahead of the world for once?

~Dan Hamvas is a senior communications major.

Do you have an opinion? If so, why not voice it in the form of a commentary? Submit inquiries to Erin Romanski at x8073

Commuter parking nonexistent

Walter Zalis presents positive suggestions to alleviate commuter parking problems.

I have never been known as a punctual person. Being 5-10 minutes late is a fairly common thing for me. I don't like being late, and no, I don't try to be late; it's just something that seems to happen to me. There are some events I always try to be on time for, such as daily classes.

However, the nightmare that is parking at McDaniel generally keeps me 5-10 minutes late for my first class of each day. I am sure several writers have complained about the parking problem in the past, but this has been a different semester. Not only are there more commuter students, but students staying at the Best Western are also driving across the street looking for a place to park.

There are more reasons why this current parking situation has a brighter spotlight on it this semester. Prior to Homecoming, the grass near the Western Maryland train car in front of the stadium was open, where many parked without finding themselves a small marathon run, away from class. I have yet to hear the reasoning behind it, but this area is currently lined off from parking. Such a barrier has caused drivers to park near the baseball fields, and from where they witness the distance between them and where they need to be.

Their frowns may remain frozen as such if parking like this persists in February, where Maryland temperatures are not friendly during a long walk. I would shake the hand of the person who cuts down these lines blocking key parking places in front of the stadium.

I thought I had found the perfect pair of spaces. On the second level of the bi-level parking lot near Gill Center, there is a small plot at the end of both lines of parking spaces, near the staircases.

These small plots are half black top and half grass, so I decided to use them. They bring me much closer to class, and help me to avoid one more cardiac hill.

However, in the next two days after I began parking there, I received two parking tickets, one for each new space. Of course, I was disappointed upon seeing the yellow slips of paper on my car (that incidentally still reads Western Maryland College), but that disappointment turned to anger when I actually read the slip.

The reasoning on the slip for issuing the ticket was, "not a space." What do you call parking in the grass in the middle of a baseball field?? VIP parking? Because those grass spaces are three miles away, does it mean they're out of the ticket range?

The reasoning for the tickets was not the only thing that angered me. I believe that when any officer decides it is just to charge me money and to feed me stress, they should at least leave their name and position on the ticket.

I do not know what system officers follow here at McDaniel, but I do know I have received tickets from officer 105 and 2. What the hell is that? To me, it is unacceptable policy. I am sure there is a loophole in there, such as the fact I have two tickets from a school that doesn't exist as WMC.

~Walter Zalis is a sophomore undecided major.

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Where was all that music coming from...?

Parents, students and faculty enjoyed live music at "Jam for Sudan"



KATIE MARTIN
Subscriptions Manager

To a backdrop of bohemian style drapes and with a fresh breeze blowing through the open windows, members of various local bands rocked Big Baker Chapel on Saturday, November 9 as part of Amnesty International's "Jam for Sudan."

Amnesty International is a worldwide organization that works to raise awareness and prevent the occurrence of human rights abuses that stem from issues such as inhuman executions and tortures, arbitrary arrests and killings, ill-treatments due to gender or sexual identity, and abuses of children.

They work in various places around the world including China, Tibet, India, Nigeria, and even here in the United States.

The Branch of Amnesty Inter-

national at McDaniel meets every Wednesday at 9 PM in Ensor Lounge. They work to spread awareness here on campus in the surrounding community about various human rights violations.

On November 9, the second annual "Jam for Sudan" was sponsored to draw attention to and raise money for the human rights tragedies that are currently occurring in the Sudan region.

Amnesty International President Kate Prisby explained that there has been an on going Civil War in Sudan for a number of years, causing numerous problems, such as homelessness and food shortages. One additional issue is that children are being forced to fight in the war and are therefore not receiving a proper education.

UNICEF (United Nations International Children's Emergency

Fund) is addressing these issues by raising money to get better clothing, food, medicine, and education for the children in the region. The McDaniel College branch of Amnesty International plans to contribute the funds from the concert to this cause.

About \$470 was raised, surpassing the amount made from last year's concert. Kate Prisby also commented that she "was happy with the turnout to the concert," as it was twice the size as the one held in the Forum last spring. This satisfied both Kate, and her co-organizer Neal Page, who have been planning the event since the beginning of the year.

Live music is not often heard here on the McDaniel College Campus, a problem that members of Amnesty International hoped would bring students out to the

event. The plan seemed to work, as students drifted in and out of Big Baker all afternoon.

Senior Tiffany Abraham commented that she did indeed come out to the event after she "heard that local bands were playing." She said that "there is not often live music" here on campus and that she "would like to hear more of it."

Freshmen Brandon Boring said that he too came out because he "wanted to hear some good music." However, there were not just students in last Saturday's crowd, as many parents, children, and members of the community came out to the college for the event.

One parent from Hampstead said that she "came out for the benefit and to support the kids in the band [4th Element]."

The Band lineup included Tom, Honey Dewpoint, Room 402, 4th

Element, Glint, Heroes 4 Hire, Owen Brown, Active Sac, My Sister Kate, and The Mishaps.

Co-Organizer Neal Page, who is also a band member of The Mishaps, said he thought that Saturday's event was worthwhile because it "gets exposure for the bands and raises money for a good cause."

Co-Organizer Kate Prisby commented that her "main goal is to have students come to an event that they enjoy, but also find out about a cause that is so far away from home."

It was obvious that the band members who volunteered the afternoon to play, and the students that spent \$3 to watch, had a blast in supporting the Sudanese children through the "Jam for Sudan."

If you want to join Amnesty International, contact Kate Prisby.

Preview: A murder has been committed!

See the latest theatre production "Techies" to find out who and why

STACI GEORGE
Senior Writer

"Techies" deals with a murder in the theatre. Hurry, hurry! Get to the theatre, there has been a murder and the theatre technicians need an audience as they try to figure out who committed the crime.

What are you waiting for? The "techies," the more commonly used term in theatre, are waiting for you to come along on this back-stage comical adventure to find out who killed Reg.

Okay so you're obviously going to read this article in its entirety before checking out the murder. What kind of adventure-seeking person are you? Haven't you ever watched "Murder, She Wrote?"

The nine techies of this theatre in Oklahoma are amidst a whirlwind of chaos as they deal with the murder and production meetings, build the set, make the costumes, and interact with one another. One can just sense the animosity between some of the characters!

Reg (portrayed by Andrew Pecoraro) is dead and according to the stage manager Max (Andrew Graver) no one is supposed to move the body. But who listens to stage managers anyway?

With the show only days away, there is a lot to do besides having to cover up the body, carry it off, hide it in the refrigerator, bring it back to its original spot, and then bury it with random junk from backstage!

Max, Edna (Chrissy Anderson), Roy (Cory Maynard), Jan (Lindsay Stewart), Houston (Jeff Goeller), Emily (Nora Pettito), Martha (Kristin Lagana), and Bud (Matt Demos) have a lot of work to do and time is ticking.

Added to the mix of confusion is Chip (David Trader), a local high school student sent to learn the various jobs of techies. No one lets him sit around and just observe: the techies find many things for him to do that they would rather not do.

Still reading, why aren't you there yet? The murder has probably

already been figured out and you're still reading?

They may all work in the theatre, but in many other ways, they are very different from each other, creating a whirlwind of different characters.

"Roy is a crazy little red-neck who boozes a little," said Maynard about his character.

Anderson describes her character as the "phat costume designer," who is "overly dramatic, slightly crazy, and extremely funny."

"It's tough being surrounded by so many morons. And that's all Jan wants to say now," said Stewart, who portrays this light designer.

Better hurry, the techies are only going to be dealing with this murder Wednesday, November 20 through Saturday, November 23 beginning promptly at 8:00 p.m. Jonah Knight, a McDaniel College graduate student, wrote Techies. Bob Garman, who has taught here at McDaniel off and on for four years, is back directing his third show here.



STACI GEORGE

With the show only days away, there is a lot to do besides having to cover up the body...

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order tickets ahead of time, call the box office at (410) 857-2448.

The rewards of studying abroad: It's a matter of culture

SHAWN CALHOON
Special to the Phoenix

I consider studying abroad to be very rewarding because I've learned more socially in the past five months than all of the last three years of college. Going overseas to study exposes you to other people's opinions and views not limited only to that of your country.

Not all of it is good, however. I've gotten in to quite a few arguments over the correct way to play pool. You don't only meet Australians when going to Australia. I've met people from all over the world like: Norway, Switzerland, Germany, Russia, England, Singapore, Hong Kong, Japan, Vietnam, Korea, China, Papa New Guinea, Turkey, Israel, Sweden, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Botswana, South Africa, New Zealand and many more.

When I talk to them about my country, I also ask them about theirs. It has inspired me to do some more traveling after I graduate. I think that studying abroad has something to offer to people who are tired of the same old place and routine-it lets them get out and do something different. I do have to admit, though, I was scared about leaving home with all of the unexpected fears, like how do they treat foreigners? Will school be harder? Well after experiencing it all, the benefits far outweigh the consequences.

In order to help with your social life as an expatriate (living outside of your country) student, it would help to be eager to learn about global issues. People who enjoy learning about foreign cultures, history, geography, and those who keep up with current events, are more likely to adjust and adapt and have fun.

Some might see studying abroad as having many disadvantages because most of the classes are harder, the assignments are worth more, and there is the inevitable language barrier; yes even in other English-speaking countries there is a language barrier because of the slang. I find these differences easier to adjust to if you think of it as a learning opportunity rather than as an unfair disadvantage or hardship.

Studying abroad is very rewarding in a way, that by learning what it takes to live in a new environment for an extended period of time you must work with people who think, behave, and manage differently than what one is used to; to apply foreign language skills (if applicable), to be an outsider,

and to master challenges without the support of friends and family. All can contribute to a better understanding of life's rigors. In other words, going expatriate is for the adventurers, the thrill seekers and the risk

throws. Even with all of these differences going to a Rugby game gives me a feeling of nostalgia, like watching old videos of NFL when it was back in the day; small stadiums and Cheerleaders are raggedy and not all wearing the same uniform. They aren't hyped up, moves are done half-assed, and so on. It's pretty funny to watch and compare.

A lot more than just the land and the sports are different over here in the land down under. Even the media takes a different approach. Commercials are more graphic and realistically speaking, more useful. They have commercials for kids on what to do if your parents have a heart attack. It's graphic, but can save lives.

They also have commercials about gun safety: "Slip, Slop, Slap" where they show you the process

is, "John some of your constituents believe that you've been sitting on the fence when it comes to terrorism and how do you explain the Bali bombing?" It takes a lot of balls to ask those types of questions but every serious news investigator I've seen asks those not only to politicians, but to supermodels as well.

A lot of people come to Australia for a lot of different reasons. Most of the international travelers aren't rich-they're just like you and me. Most of them are backpackers taking a break for one year after completing college or high school, or they're studying abroad for a degree. Most internationals I run into are on my campus. The University I'm going to is huge with a student body of around 50,000. I swear half of them are internationals. This is good because right off the bat you have something in common, not being a native. There is also a lot to talk about internationally, especially at this moment with the war on terrorism and our situation with Iraq. Although not everyone I meet likes the U.S., it is still interesting to hear their opinions. I'm fine with it as long as they can back it up logically and not just with how they feel.

There are others that say to me that they wouldn't like to travel to America. I ask them why and for what reasons. They come up with some good explanations too, one is our ghettos, the other is Jerry Springer, which gives the world a bad impression of our culture. No wonder why people get the impression that we're all loud and in-your-face. I told them Jerry Springer is just a bunch of desperate people willing to do, or say anything just to get on TV, but I had no excuse for the ghetto reason.

I've been in a lot of cities in Australia and none of them have ghettos except for the bigger ones like Sydney and Melbourne. I was still shocked walking through Brisbane, one of the fastest growing cities in the country, and there are no dark allies. They have them all blocked off with twenty-foot tall steel gates. The fact that they don't have any ghettos puts me in even more of a culture shock.

Think of it as a big city in a foreign country- that is almost completely idiot proof! It's hard for me to even find a good hole in the wall of a bar.



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takers. If what is being said scares you from studying abroad, don't worry.

International students simply aren't immersed in the same environment as are international workers. For one thing, fellow students are not a representative sample of the national population. Moreover, dealing with well-educated peers may be easier than with typical line-level employees. Nonetheless, international students often face comparable challenges to those of international workers. What I'm breaking this down into is that backpacking through a country on working holidays is a different world from studying abroad.

Since I've landed down in Aussie Land almost five months ago, I've traveled to four out of the seven territories. There is no real difference in the Australian dialect unless you're talking to someone from the bush. They have a real heavy accent like Paul Hogan. Australia isn't that much different from the U.S. other than driving on the other side of the road, on the other side of the car, having a prime minister (John Howard) other than a president, and Cricket and Rugby are on Fox sports instead of baseball and NFL. But what the hay! Rugby is a good substitute for football and wrestling other than the fact that you pass the ball backwards to go forwards, no pads, and over arm

of skin cancer and in the end they show you how they remove the cancer (looks like a bulb to a plant). After seeing that I will always wear sunscreen. It's not trying to scare you-it's trying to educate you. It's not like during the commercial they're playing the John William's now famous "Jaws theme," but at the same time they're not playing lullaby music either.

Even the Media is on a different page than ours. When I watch them interview John Howard (The Prime Minister), they seem to go into attack mode. What I mean by this is they ask the most threatening questions possible. One mild example that I can think of

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Musica Review: 8 Mile - Lose Yourself

Rap artist EMINEM gives audiences an insight into his life on the big screen



"You better lose yourself in the music the moment you own it, you better never let it go. You only get one shot, do not miss your chance to blow. This opportunity comes once in a lifetime yo."

JESSICA WATSON
Features Editor

"Look, if you had one shot, one opportunity to seize everything you ever wanted...One moment, would you capture it or just let it slip?" Rap artist Eminem says these words before going into his song "Lose Yourself," from the 8 Mile soundtrack.

We all have certain aspects of our lives that define who we are and in many cases where we are going. The neighborhood we come from, how we live, the company we keep; hidden within every choice we make are the predictions of the road ahead. Where you are defines who you are, and some say "you can't change your stars." 8 Mile

tells the story of a young man who feels the urge to break free from the repetitive cycle and make a name for himself.

From Academy Award winner Curtis Hanson, director of L.A. Confidential and Wonder Boys, and Academy Award winner Brian Koppelman, producer of A Beautiful Mind and Apollo 13, the masterpiece 8 Mile hits the big screen.

The movie stars well known rap artist Eminem as Jimmy aka Rabbit (a nickname from his mother that stuck), and co-starring Kim Basinger as his mom, and also includes Brittany Murphy, Mekhi Phifer, Omar Benson Miller, Evan Jones, Eugene Byrd, De'Angelo Wilson, Anthony Mackie, Taryn Manning and Michael Shannon.

The process of breaking free isn't easy. Rabbit is a very talented, and undiscovered, rap artist known around his neighborhood for his ability to freestyle lyrics off of just about anything.

He lives, breathes, and eats music, keeping a pen and paper handy for times when he feels that inspiration coming to him. He gets an invite to battle at a local club (battling is when two rappers go head to head in a freestyle competition against each other).

The lyrics to "Lose Yourself"

say "He's nervous, but on the surface he looks calm and ready to drop bombs, but he keeps on forgetting what he wrote down, he opens his mouth but the words won't come out." At his once chance to prove himself he chokes on stage in front everyone, and the reputation from that night follows him home.

His friends offer to help him repeatedly throughout the film but eventually he figures out that he has to do this on his own. His mother's situation at their trailer is unstable, as they face an eviction notice and she sleeps with someone he knew back in high school. Rabbit copes with his situation with the lyrics he writes, and although all odds are against him he refuses to give up or give in.

The song goes on "I was playing" in the beginning, the mood all changed. I been chewed up and spit out and booted off stage, but I

keep rhythmin'..."

Eventually he figures that he needs to make it on his own, prove himself, and walk the road to the top alone.

"You better lose yourself in the music, the moment you own it, you better never let it go. You only get one shot, do not miss your chance to blow. This opportunity comes once in a lifetime yo."

8 Mile is definitely worth seeing, and by the end, you'll be inspired to write down some lyrics of your own.

"Look, if you had one moment, would you capture it, or just let it slip?"



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Harry Potter & The Chamber of Secrets

Special Effects reveal what's really going on at the school of Hogwarts

JESSICA WATSON
Features Editor

New to theatres just this past Friday, Warner Brothers Pictures proudly presents Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets. This movie is a follow up to Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone and has attracted viewers both young and old.

It's based on the novels by J. K. Rowling, directed by Chris Columbus and produced by Davide Heyman and Chris Columbus.

This movie has the young wizard Harry Potter (Daniel Radcliffe) and his friends Ron (Rupert Grint) and Hermione (Emma Watson) facing new challenges as they enter their second year at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. Their quest is to reveal the dark force that has been terrorizing the school.

This sequel is a part of a planned series of seven Potter films and is exploding with the computer animation that brings the mystical world of Harry Potter and Hogwarts to life on the big screen.

This is also one of those movies where it pays off to have seen the first movie and

also to have done some light reading on the side.

While Harry still is the same ol' Harry, he has definitely grown a little taller and his voice is deeper (suck it up to puberty I guess). Whatever is lurking around at Hogwarts even

tom of this.

They suspect that the chamber of secrets, hence the title, is hidden in Hogwarts, but the question is where? And once they find it, who can open it and what awful being lurks inside (or more appropriately, is whatever it holds still there)? Was it a monster? Did it break out?

Some of the students have been terrified and left paralyzed by something, but what? Their bodies were carried to the infirmary still frozen in time. Another clue surfaces in the mystery, a diary by a former student named Tom Marvolo Riddle. Although its pages are blank, it may hold the clues that will help Harry and his gang get to the bottom of this.

Think you're a little to old to see Harry Potter? Think again. The special effects are the main attraction, with Hogwarts much larger and exposed than ever before.

Did you know this school also had secrets underground as well? As large as Hogwarts is underground matches what you can see from above. The school becomes vast and unpredictable, and the battles (whether it is with the Quiddish game or against a dragon) are intense with no fairy tale endings.

By the way, come prepared; this movie is almost three hours long, but it's worth every minute.



"This sequel is a part of a planned series of seven Potter films and is exploding with computer animation..."

has the professors shaken, not stirred. This school has some horrifying secrets, and it's up to Harry and his gang to get to the bot-

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Although several of us complain, a thank you is overdue

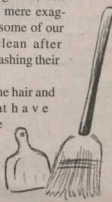
ANDREA HOOKER
Staff Writer

Most of the commentaries that I read in the Phoenix are usually commenting on the food at Glar or the infamous Smith House, but I want to take the time to thank our lovely cleaning staff.

I personally want to thank Ms. Betty and Ms. Debbie for greeting me in the morning, making my day a little brighter. The cleaning staff tries to keep our lovely dormitory clean, despite some of our residences need to desecrate our bathrooms. In the showers the walls are covered with the hair of past occupants, but not due to our cleaning staff.

It is because half of the Whiteford girls are apparently going bald, don't worry this is just a mere exaggeration. It is just some of our residents don't clean after themselves while washing their hair.

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Losing a quarterback may not end season

MATTHEW E. HURF
Co-Editor-in-Chief

This weekend there was terrible news from about two hours north on I-95. Donovan McNabb, the star quarterback for the Philadelphia Eagles experienced a season-threatening ankle injury that may have him out for 6-8 weeks.

Does this devastating injury severely impair the playoff hopes for the 7-4 Eagles? Well, not necessarily. First, an optimistic McNabb feels as though he will be able to play through the injury.

This still does not guarantee success because with the injury he will be far less effective and much more likely to be injured even worse.

So, for all intents and purposes, lets consider Koy Detmer or Jay Feely at quarterback. Neither are proven at the NFL level at all, so that does not bode well for them at first glance. However, if you look around the NFL, there are many quarterbacks that have found varying degrees of success when the starting quarterback was downed with injuries, even though most fans would have never considered them.

The list is actually fairly long, with names like Tommy Maddox, Kurt Warner, Jay Fiedler and Tom Brady on it. Heck, even Trent Dilfer seems to be able to fill in well enough to win a Super Bowl. So, the point is that a quarterback injury does not necessarily spell the end of the season for a playoff hopeful team. The tandem of Detmer and Feely, in all likelihood, will not work out to produce a Super Bowl MVP quarterback like Tom Brady, but they may provide enough passing to open up rushing opportunities for Duce Staley, Dorsey Levens and Brian Westbrook.

Westbrook.

Also, the strong Eagles defense may be just enough to keep the Giants and Redskins at bay in the division.

So, while Eagles fans certainly would like McNabb to return next week, the big picture may be much more important.

A healthy McNabb in the first round of the playoffs definitely is more desirable than a hobbled one in November.



McDaniel goalkeeper focuses in on defending the goal for the green terror.

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Women's field hockey plays tough throughout playoffs but falls short in playoffs

GREG LEDEKER
Co-Sports Editor

When McDaniel athletic teams begin their practices every year, almost every one has two goals in mind for their season: win the Centennial Conference and the highest, win a National Championship.

The McDaniel Field Hockey squad continued the program's greatest season ever with these high goals in reach.

Courtesy of their 16-3 regular season record, the Green Terror entered the Centennial Conference tournament as the number one seeded team and host of the Championships.

On Saturday November 9th, the team played their first game, a semifinal match-up against Franklin and Marshall College. From the start of the contest, McDaniel put constant pressure on the opposition, out-shooting the Diplomats 16-3, but was unable to capitalize with points as the game remained scoreless deep into the second half.

With less than two minutes left in the contest, McDaniel junior Kim Camponelli found freshman Melanie Thompson who slapped the puck past the Diplomats goalkeeper to win the game 1-0.

Green Terror junior goalie Becky Arnold played flawlessly for the team, with two saves both in the closing minutes of the victory.

With the victory, the only obstacle left between Green Terror and their first Centennial Conference title was fierce conference rival, Johns Hopkins University. In an earlier meeting this season, the

Blue Jays slipped past McDaniel by a slim 1-0 score and the game lived up to its billing in another classic match-up between the two schools. The game resembled a stalemate, both teams mirrored each other and were equally talented that neither team could gain an advantage in the first half.

With the game scoreless in the deep into the second half, it was Camponelli who would ignite the Green Terror offense again when she found senior Susan Rohrer at the net for the game's only score at the 24:47 mark as the team held on for their first Centennial title. Camponelli's game winning assist was her ninth of the season, which broke a record for assists in a single season.

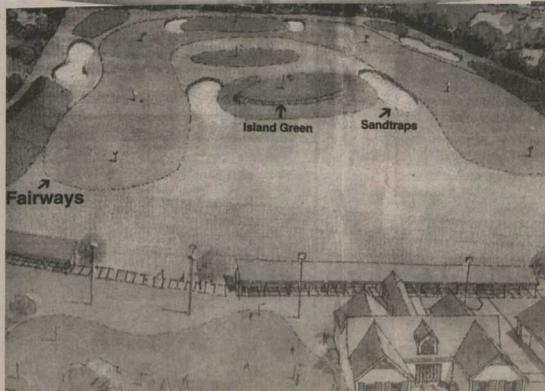
The team's goal of the program's first Centennial Conference title had been secured, as the team prepared for the National Championships. On Wednesday November 13th, the team played host to their first national playoff game against College of Notre Dame.

McDaniel dominated the contest from start to finish, building up a 4-0 halftime lead and shutting out the opposition by a 6-0 score. Sophomore Sarah LeBarron started the offensive barrage with an unassisted goal and was followed by Camponelli, and freshman Melanie Thompson and Lindsay Ricks picking up first half scores. In the second half, sophomore Clara Hollingsworth, assisted on the Th-

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Field Hockey team played hard throughout Centennial Conference Playoffs

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ompton score, and freshman Danielle Unflat finished off the scoring for the day. It was a record-breaking day for the team, as they set many new milestones in the rout.

Arnold's ninth shutout of the season in goal for the team and her fourth in a row set a new school record, while the team's 61 goals in a season breaks the school record of 55.

The collective team shutout occurred for the 13th time this season, setting another school mark for the 2002 squad.

The win improved the team's record to 19-3 on the season.

The victory moved the team to the second round the championships and their biggest obstacle of the season, a date with the under-

feated number #1 ranked Rowan University.

On Saturday, November 16th the team ventured on the road to Glassboro, NJ looking to continue their incredible season. Unfortunately for the Green Terror, Rowan played like a top team, shutting out McDaniel in the first half and netting four goals to take a 4-1 victory.

McDaniel's lone goal came from Hollingsworth, who was assisted by Camponelli, with only 13:41 left in the contest.

The loss ended the team's season with a 19-4 record, but the future of the program is very bright. Losing only one senior from this year's squad, the team will return virtually intact and can look to go farther in the Playoffs next season.

The McDaniel frisbee team took time off their tournament to pose for a team photo



American League Most Valuable Player debate: A-Rod or Tejada? You be the judge

LEROY McDUFFIE

Co-Sports Editor

Although the National League MVP award was obviously going to Barry Bonds, the A.L. MVP winner was uncertain. This year's American League MVP award-winner would be debated regardless if Miguel Tejada or Alex Rodriguez won the coveted award. Both players had a phenomenal year statistically. These two men both had a batting average above .300 and each hit over 100 RBIs (runners batted in). However, many sports experts were split as to who should win the MVP title. Although Rodriguez did have a slight edge statistically on Tejada, Tejada was able to make an impact during the playoffs. The balloting was close between the two men, but at the end Tejada edged out Rodriguez for the MVP award.

However, I must ask the question as to whether it's fair to not give the person with the best statistical numbers the award? Is it fair to punish a talented player like

Rodriguez just because it played on a team that finished well over 20 games under 500 for the season, and with no strong pitching staff. Not to take anything away from Tejada, but he was supported with a great pitching staff lead by American League Cy Young winner Barry Zito. I feel that if Rodriguez was surrounded by a good pitching staff that was able to make the playoffs, then Rodriguez probably would have walked away with the MVP award. In order to be fair to all parties involved, I believe that there should be two awards given: MVP and most outstanding player awards. The MVP would go to the individual that help to lead his team to a playoff berth, while the most outstanding player award would go to the best statistical player in the league.

Tejada and Rodriguez both had tremendous seasons; why not recognize both players with awards highlighting their accomplishments during the season.

Ultimate frisbee team plays several tournaments in area

KEN BERTKAU

Staff Writer

A few weeks ago the Frisbee team ended its season on a great note. The team went up to Shippensburg College and played a night tournament for their first official tournament of the season. Ending the night with a record of 2-2 after hard fought games and only barely escaping injuries before the real weekend began. From Shippensburg, the team traveled to Dickinson only to get up after a few hours of sleep and start anew as the Dickinson Jive fest was about to begin. The team played brilliantly on Saturday as they went 4-0 and showed that the team was really out with something to prove, not only to the Frisbee community but to our college as well.

This team really showed something this semester. They can play with anyone and give then a difficult challenge. With three great seniors and many up and coming freshman, not to mention some core sophomores and juniors they have a chance to shock people at sectionals in the Spring.

Don't forget to watch as the Baltimore Ravens face off against their arch nemesis--the Tennessee Titans next week...

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Ravens fall short to Dolphins in tough Loss away

LEROY McDUFFIE
Co-Sports Editor

The Baltimore Ravens lost to a tough Miami Dolphins team by the score of 26-7. The Ravens offense struggled throughout the game to score points. Ravens quarterback Jeff Blake managed one touchdown pass to wide receiver Travis Taylor in the second quarter. The Miami Dolphins defense held running-back Jamal Lewis to 47 yards rushing. However, the Ravens were happy that linebacker Ray Lewis was able to start against the Dolphins.

Although he was in considerable pain for most of the game because of a bad shoulder, he still managed to get 6 tackles in the game. The loss to Miami put the Ravens a game and a half back of the Pittsburgh Steelers in the AFC North. The Raven's are a young team that fights to the end in all their games. If the Raven's are to be in the playoff picture for the rest of the season, the offense must step it up a notch, and produce more points on a consistent basis. Although the defense did give up 26 points to the Dolphins, they have been very consistent for most of the season by pressuring the quarterback and maintaining a tight and cohesive defense.

No matter if the Ravens make the playoffs or not, the Ravens have a bright future with their young roster and their experienced players. With Ray Lewis leading the way, the Ravens have a very prosperous future ahead of them.

Below, Ravens running back Jamal Lewis was limited to under 50 yards of total rushing against the Miami Dolphins last Sunday. Photo Courtesy of Baltimore Sun



Football team suffers tough loss to Johns Hopkins

GREG LEDERER
Co-Sports Editor

For five consecutive seasons, the McDaniel College Football team has been on top of the Centennial Conference, securing the championship trophy and road to the National Playoffs. The team's streak alone at the top ended on Saturday, November 16, 2002 against fierce conference rival Johns Hopkins University.

Remembering last year's upset loss to the Blue jays, the Green Terror ventured to Baltimore, MD with payback in mind and their conference title aspirations on the line. As the game began, McDaniel jumped out early, as the stingy defense forced JHU to punt on their opening drive and gave the ball to the offense. It didn't take long for the Green Terror to take advantage of the field position, as they marched right down the field in four plays and scored on a six yard scamper by junior running back French Pope.

Despite the success of their opening drive, the Green Terror offense stalled the rest of the first quarter. After coming up short on 3rd down, McDaniel set up to punt the ball away at the JHU 45 yard line, but were stunned when the Blue Jay's Mike Barrasso found a slit in the blocking and smacked Corey Allen's punt. In the ensuing pileup, Johns Hopkins recovered the ball on the McDaniel 22 yard line. They then broke even with the Green Terror five plays later on a one yard quarterback sneak by George Merrell.

Looking to respond to the JHU score, disaster occurred when the offense couldn't hold onto the fumble in the second quarter fumbling away the ball four times.

The Blue jays capitalized on the Green Terror miscues, scoring two more touchdowns to take a 21-7 lead into the halftime.

Things didn't get much better for the Green Terror in the second half, as they continued to struggle on special teams, fumbling away four punts in the process.

The Blue jays continued to take advantage of the miscues, recovering a fumbled punt and scoring two plays later to end the scoring in the contest at a 27-7 final.

Despite an first quarter injury to senior defensive lineman Jesse Hudson, the defense played valiantly, and the ending score was deceiving as the Blue Jays out gained the Green Terror offense slimly 257 to 254 yards, but the team's seven turnovers doomed their fate. The defensive unit was spearheaded by senior linebacker Matt Wilchinskis 16 tackles, while fellow senior Matt Miller had 10 stops in the contest.

Senior quarterback John Luster completed seven of 18 passes in the game for 101 yards, while senior wide receiver Joe Ellis had 3 receptions for 60 yards. French Pope led the running contingent on the day for the team with 66 yards on 11 carries.

The loss knocks the Green Terror into a three way tie for the Conference Championship with Johns Hopkins and Muhlenberg. Eliminated from the National Playoffs, the team awaits a possible alternative post season bid.

Despite the tough loss, the team is optimistic about the 2002 campaign. "There were good points and bad points to the season, but we consider it successful," said Miller.

Below, Pope is determined to make a big impact during the game.



Above, Campanelli is determined to score goals for the green terror.

Field Hockey team's loss in playoffs doesn't null their great record breaking season

KATIE MARTIN
Subscriptions Manager

The 2002 McDaniel College Field Hockey team smashed records this season, most notably by winning their first ever Centennial Conference Championship. McDaniel College hosted this year's tournament, featuring two semifinal games on Saturday November 9th, and the face off between the winners the following day.

The top seeded Green Terror took on the No. 4 seed Franklin and Marshall College Diplomats in the first game on Saturday, defeating them 1-0. After dominating the Diplomats for most of the game, and out shooting them 16-3, the Green Terror secured their victory with a goal by Freshmen Melanie Thompson off of an assist from Kim Campanelli.

Later on in the afternoon, the No. 2 seed Johns Hopkins Blue Jays defeated the No. 3 seed Washington College Shorewomen in another round of the Centennial Conference semifinals. After trading leads throughout the game, the Johns Hopkins Blue Jays were able to score on a penalty stroke late in the second half to secure their 3-2 vic-

tory. The McDaniel College Green Terror and the Johns Hopkins Blue Jays both advanced to the Centennial Conference Championship played at noon on Sunday November 10th.

After out shooting the Blue Jays 110 in the first half, the Green Terror finally pulled out a goal with 24:47 remaining in the game. Susan Rohrer scored the game winning goal on an assist from Kim Campanelli. Nicole Mele came up with a defensive save late in the second half to preserve the win for the Green Terror. However, the Green Terror's record-breaking season ended this past Saturday in the NCAA Division III Playoffs as they lost 4-1 to nationally ranked Rowan University. Rowan scored two goals in the first half and added two more in the second for the win, topping the lone goal made by McDaniel's Clara Hollingsworth. Kim Campanelli had the assist, her tenth of the season, setting the McDaniel College record for assists in the season. Hollingsworth's goal was the 61st of the season, setting the record for goals in a season. The team also smashed the record for wins in a season with 19.



New North Village Apartments open to accomodate 'modest' increase in enrollment

Residents pleased with quality of their new homes, price increase questionable

LAURA PETERSEN
Staff Writer

As temperatures at McDaniel College fall, the new North Village Apartments continue to slowly rise.

Since the conclusion of January term, some McDaniel College upperclassmen have been calling the recently constructed North Village Apartments home.

Sophomore Bayley Fannin who resided in the Best Western for the fall semester is pleased with her new apartment.

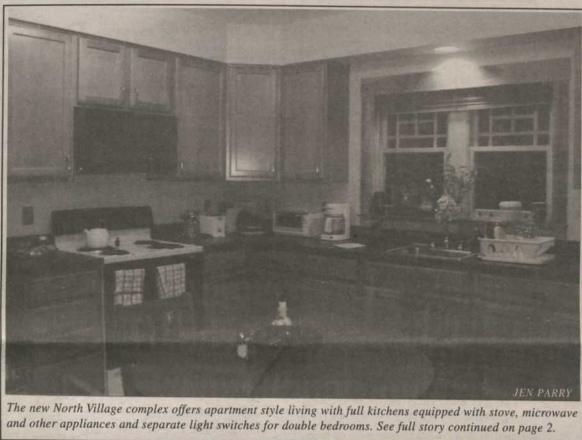
"They are so cool and so nice," Fannin said smiling. "We had lasagna the other night."

Equipped with a stove for cooking such meals, the North Apartments also sport hardwood floors, bedroom carpeting, and even separate light switches for double bedrooms.

Elizabeth Towle assistant dean of McDaniel College residence life, expressed the same enthusiasm as Fannin.

"I think the new apartments are beautiful," Towle laughed. "When you walk in, you're like, 'WOW, this is student housing?'"

Originally planned to be suites, the North Village turned out to be apartments based on the input of a planning committee. Consisting of staff, students and the



The new North Village complex offers apartment style living with full kitchens equipped with stove, microwave and other appliances and separate light switches for double bedrooms. See full story continued on page 2.

Board of Trustees, the planning committee decided that McDaniel College students would prefer apartments to suite style rooms.

Despite the appeal of the brand new apartments, some questions have been raised among students concerning cost, student increase, and the effect on the already difficult parking situation.

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Bookstore prices on the rise

Students shocked by book price increase

STACI GEORGE
Assistant Commentary Editor

With each new semester, there is that inevitable trip to the college bookstore to prepare for the semester ahead.

Along with that trip is the complaint of how many books one needs to purchase and the money spent on such books.

Art supplies, notebooks, pens, pencils, and a new McDaniel College sweatshirt may be a part of the final purchase.

No transaction is a simple transaction when the complaint of prices and the realization of handing hard-earned money across the counter occurs.

Just ask Kyle Meloche, bookstore manager, about complaints from angry students about the cost of books and other items in the college bookstore.

As recipient of such backlash, Meloche wondered if students were aware of a few important facts.

First, he wants to let students know that a certain percentage of any bookstore purchase goes back to the College itself. Calculating the specific percentage of any single purchase is complicated, and trying to explain it to someone is just as challenging.

Pointing to paperwork,

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College receives \$50,000 grant for new technology

Smart classrooms to appear in every campus building in by fall 2003

KATIE CHAMPION
News Editor

On Friday, January 24, students in Benjamin Higgs' experiential marketing class presented their final marketing strategy projects using computer software and high tech gear.

This will soon become a common occurrence at the college thanks to a \$50,000 grant that will be used to transform eight more classrooms into smart classrooms.

A smart classroom is a room that is equipped with VCR and DVD players, speakers, and a LCD (liquid crystal display) projector, all in place to help students and teachers get more out of the educational process.

The school already has eight smart classrooms and one day hopes to have high tech gear in all 58 of its classrooms.

Junior Heather Sinclair, one of

the students who made their presentations Friday, said that the technology helped her group communicate their findings to the class in an interesting and organized way.

"Without Power Point, we would not be able to focus on specific ideas," Sinclair said.

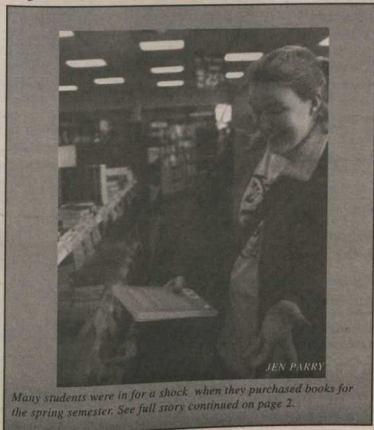
Moving graphics, colors and sounds add to the presentation and keep people from getting distracted, she added.

Sophomore Donnie White agreed.

"Without the technology, nothing would have worked," White said. "It's great - we can give an organized presentation through a running outline."

The grant comes from the George I. Alden Trust, of Worcester, Mass. Since 1920, the trust has awarded more than \$10.8 million

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Many students were in for a shock when they purchased books for the spring semester. See full story continued on page 2.

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Students pleased with new apartments

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Vice president of administration and finance Dr. Ethan Seidel believes that the North Village will "alleviate pressure on existing halls."

After moving the students from the Best Western and students from dormitories consisting of three roommates.

Seidel explains that the increase in the student body will be "modest." Fifty new students are estimated to reside in the North Village after the existing students are relocated.

With two buildings already in use, four more North Village Apartments are being constructed day by day.

McDaniel College students living on Pennsylvania Avenue housing will also be relocated to the new apartments.

Pennsylvania Avenue homes 189 through 197 will be torn down to make room for a North Village Apartment building.

Compared to McDaniel College's Garden Apartments, Seidel revealed that the North Village Apartments are "more costly."

After surveying prices of other colleges and universities, such as UMBC, that boast similar facilities, a price was settled upon.

A single room costs \$4,200.00 whereas a double room costs \$3,800.00.

After a little under month of residency, Fannin has not complained about the parking situation.

"I've never had an issue with parking," she explained. "I've never heard my roommates complain either."

Along with the construction of the new

apartments, Seidel revealed that "significant number" of parking spaces will be constructed to "catch up with the parking situation."

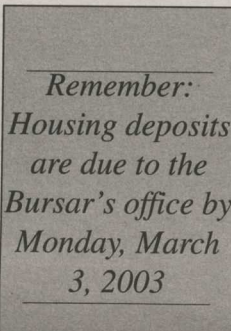
Towle explained that the apartments are not "the nail in the coffin" for the parking situation, as some students may believe.

"The current [parking] situation is pretty stinky," Towle commented. "But more parking is being made."

The only complaint that Fannin voiced was the insulation of the new apartments.

"I can hear every word that they [my neighbors] are saying if they are loud," she explained laughing.

But to her, she would not want to live anywhere else on campus. "To be in an apartment with my best friends, there is nothing better."



Construction continues on the North Village Apartments. Pennsylvania Avenue houses 189 through 197 will be torn down to make room for the complex.

Room Draw Process

KATIE CHAMPION

News Editor

Room draw for the North Village Apartments will take place in mid-April according to assistant dean of Residence Life Liz Towle.

Groups of five and six can apply for the housing. Applications will be placed in order of seniority. Pure senior groups will be the first to be placed. One person from the group will select a lottery number and that number will be the group number. After the senior groups are placed, senior and junior mixed groups will be placed according to their lottery numbers.

Towle emphasized that placement in the

North Village will be based primarily on seniority. For example, even if a group of five sophomores draws number one, they cannot get an apartment before a group of five seniors who draw a number 22, she said.

The six-person units are on the second floor and all five-person units are located on the first floor. There will be 22 apartments available for students in the fall, ten-five person, ten-six person, and two for RA's.

"The best way to guarantee not being left out is to meet the housing deposit deadline date," Towle said.

Affinity housing selection is taking place this week. Next, Greek, substance free, North Village, Garden, then dorms will draw.

Technology grant brings more classrooms into the future

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to various colleges and universities for technology across the country.

The eight new smart classrooms will be in Hill Hall, Lewis Hall of Science and Big Baker Hall and should be completed by fall term.

McDaniel College President Joan Coley said that she believes that bringing technology to the classroom is an important forward step in the advancement of quality education.

She traveled to Worcester, Mass., to present a proposal for the project to the grant trustees.

"I can't think of a field that technology is not important," Coley said.

Once the plan is implemented, there will be at least one smart classroom in every building on campus except for Gill Learning Center.

"We're extremely excited about this," Coley said.

The last grant received by the college from the George I. Alden Trust was \$30,000 donated in 1995. That money went to renovate the science center.

According to Rabab Crawford, director of corporate and foundation relations, it will cost \$6,250 to transform one classroom. The LCD player alone is \$3,250, she said.

Information Services and Physical Plant workers have been working together to come up with a design for a 'technology cabinet' to house the equipment, Ethan Seidel, vice-president of finance and administration said.

Each renovated classroom will have one of these cabinets containing DVD/VCR players and computer systems that are wired to the LCD projector in the ceiling.

The college will save money by designing and constructing the cabinets, Seidel said.

English instructor and Writing Center director Lisa Breslin said she likes teaching in smart classrooms.

"It [LCD] essentially allows us to do

Internet research and hand-holding before letting loose," Breslin said. "It has made my classes more interactive."

The LCD has a picture-in-picture feature so that if a class is learning about Iraq, for example, a video or presentation about Iraq can run while news and current events about Iraq can scroll across the screen, she said.

The installation of the new technology is scheduled to take place this summer while students are out of school.

"Teaching methodologies are rapidly evolving and they are evolving around technology," Seidel said. "If faculty and students are going to keep up, it is going to have to begin

-Original story by Katie Champion, printed in the Carroll County Times, Jan. 25, 2003.

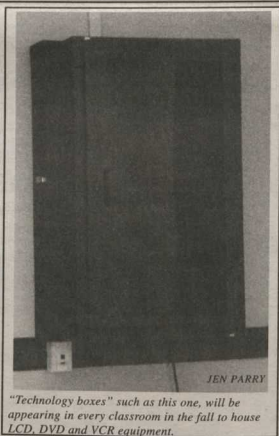
merchandise, school supplies, and cold beverages to be a profitable business.

"There are more expensive books be-

The money that the school receives is used for various things within the school's budget such as guest speakers and special events

cause the used book market is being decreased by marketers who are adding CDs, CD-Roms, and shrink wrap to the books."

Students are therefore spending more on books because of the book retailers are not getting as many years out of it.



"Technology boxes" such as this one, will be appearing in every classroom in the fall to house LCD, DVD and VCR equipment.

Bookstore merchandise and book prices go up for the spring 2003 semester leaving students with sticker shock

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Meloche showed that from May 1 through October 31, the bookstore paid \$91,000 to the college from purchases alone.

In the same period of time, the bookstore has only made \$100,000 profit, said Meloche.

In addition to the percentage from each sale, there is other money paid to the school, as written in the five-year contract. This other

money is the sum of the rent, commission, extra amenities, and an additional \$10,000.

The money that the school receives from the payment is used for various things within the school's budget, such as guest speakers and special events.

Thirdly, he pointed out that only a small percent of a book's cost is profit for the bookstore. If the market price of the book is \$75, the bookstore will only charge as much as \$100 for the book, which is a 25% profit. With other expenses and upholding the contract, it is not really a 25% profit.

In fact, Meloche said that the bookstore would go out of business if they only sold books.

It needs other items to sell like college

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Campus Safety News

January 1 - February 11, 2003

COMPILED BY KATIE CHAMPION
News Editor

1/1/03: 3:22 a.m., Unauthorized access to student room in Blanche Ward Hall during holiday break.

1/10/03: 11 a.m., DoCS officer found CO2 powered BB gun pistol in the combative room of PELC.

1/10/03: 11:17 a.m., Two students harassed via computer in McDaniel Hall.

1/10/03: 5:34 p.m., Firework set off in first floor men's room in Blanche Ward Hall. Damage to bathroom reported.

1/12/03: 1:14 a.m., Restricted student observed in Whiteford Hall and arrested for trespassing.

1/13/03: 4:22 p.m., Students noticed trashcan on fire in front of ANW Hall.

1/16/03: 4:30 p.m., Fire extinguisher found missing in McDaniel Hall.

1/19/03: 3:15 a.m., College vehicle found unattended on Stadium Drive.

1/23/03: 7:13 p.m., Notified by Westminister Police of security alarm sounding in the Golf House.

1/25/03: 1:30 a.m., Student had several items taken from his vehicle.

1/27/03: 2:08 p.m., Steam pipe leading to Levine Hall burst and flooded the ground floor causing the fire alarm to sound.

1/29/03: 9:30 p.m., Threatening notes left on hallway walls, bathroom mirrors and door of the second floor of ANW Hall. Student reported receiving threatening emails from the same possible suspect.

1/29/03: 9:30 p.m., Underage intoxicated male entered female rooms in Whiteford Hall without permission.

1/29/03: 10:48 p.m., Underage students in Whiteford Hall documented for possession of alcohol and a fire code violation.

1/30/03: 11 p.m., Student's door destroyed in Blanche Ward Hall when her room was broken into.

1/31/03: 12:01 a.m., Property damage reported outside of ANW Hall. Blue light on the emergency phone was torn from the base.

1/31/03: 7:41 a.m., A brick was thrown through the front windshield of a backhoe in the North Village.

1/31/03: Ex-female student called student's cell phone and left threatening message.

2/1/03: Toilets in men's room in ANW Hall were found pulled up from floor.

2/1/03: 1:12 a.m., Student cited for possession of alcohol outside of Garden Apartments.

2/1/03: 2:01 a.m., Student documented for underage possession of alcohol, possession of alcohol in a dry dorm and playing drinking games in Rouzer Hall.

2/1/03: 2:46 a.m., Students harassed by other on their floor in Rouzer Hall.

2/1/03: 10:50 p.m., DoCS assisted Westminister Police with a theft of an off campus business.

2/2/03: 12:40 a.m., Student involved in off campus party. Westminister Police requested assistance. Several students cited for possession of alcohol.

2/2/03: 1:18 a.m., Underage students in Rouzer Hall documented for possession of alcohol in a dry dorm and a fire code violation.

2/2/03: 1:40 a.m., stolen college property (hurdle cross bar) found at an off campus party involving McDaniel College students.

2/2/03: 8:04 p.m., DoCS assisted Westminister Police with distur-

bance on Pennsylvania Avenue.

2/2/03: 9 p.m., DoCS dispatcher located wallet and cash at dispatcher's station.

2/4/03: 5 p.m., Student harassed and threatened other students in Decker Center.

2/6/03: 1:45 a.m., Suspicious male observed on third floor of Whiteford Hall.

2/6/03: 11:50 p.m., Restricted subject reported on floor of Blanche Ward Hall.

2/7/03: 2:30 a.m., Unknown suspect set a bulletin board on fire in Rouzer Hall.

2/8/03: 12:30 a.m., Subjects took beverages from the Pub without paying for them.

2/8/03: 12:38 a.m., restricted non-student observed by DoCS exiting Decker Center. Subject was arrested by Westminister Police and found to be in possession of dangerous weapons.

2/8/03: 11:56 p.m., Three male students involved in CDS, marijuana and paraphernalia possession. One student was arrested.

2/9/03: 1:20 a.m., Student and non-student pulled a locked door open to Decker Center.

2/9/03: 2:35 a.m., Fight between a group of students in Blanche Ward Hall.

2/9/03: 3:05 a.m., Domestic disturbance reported to Westminister Police and DoCS. Several student and non-students found in underage possession of alcohol and hard liquor in North Village. One student criminally cited for possession of alcohol.

2/9/03: 3:30 a.m., Non-student cited by Westminister Police for unauthorized possession of alcohol in North Village.

2/9/03: 3:35 a.m., Student charged with failure to comply with security personnel and charged with underage possession of alcohol.

2/9/03: 3:40 a.m., Student observed with open bottle of beer in Blanche Ward Hall.

2/9/03: 3:41 a.m., Student observed in possession of hard liquor in Blanche Ward Hall.

2/10/03: 6 p.m., Two students had property stolen from the main gym.

2/10/03: 10:30 p.m., Non-student juvenile criminally cited for giving false information.

2/11/03: 4:30 p.m., Hit and run accident involving a student's car on Gill Lane.

McDaniel marine reservists called to active duty: Sophomore Rob Hegmann and senior Jim Perry leave school to train for war

KATIE CHAMPION
News Editor

As the threat of war with Iraq continues to rise, tension is heightened on the homefront.

Many reservists in our area have been called to active duty. Family members, friends and loved ones are leaving their homes to serve their country.

So far, two of McDaniel's own, Rob Hegmann and Jim Perry, both marine reservists, have turned their lives upside down to train for war.

Last semester, Rob Hegmann, of Fort Meade, Md, was enjoying the life of a typical college student - attending classes, playing rugby, and partying on the weekends.

Less than two weeks after celebrating his 20th birthday with friends and family, the sophomore was called to active duty.

"It was hard at first," said Hegmann. "Then I got used to the fact that I don't have a choice."

LCpl Hegmann joined the marines at age 18 because he felt the

need to serve a higher cause.

It will be two years on May 21st, he said.

During those two years, Hegmann went through intensive training in firefighting, land navigation, night navigation, urban training and crew weapons training.

Last week, he joined his Wilmington, Del., based unit, Bulkfuel Company B, in North Carolina for training.

"After this, I go to Fort Lee in Virginia then overseas," Hegmann said.

Though he knows he will be shipped out later this month, he is not permitted to say where at this time.

For now, Hegmann's education is on hold for up to one year. He hopes to return to McDaniel for the spring 2004 semester.

"It's not to wonder why, but to do and die," Hegmann said.

Senior Jim Perry has also joined his unit in preparation for war with Iraq.

Perry, who has been in the marine reserves for four years, has orders to be active for up to one year.

The sociology major joins his unit in Missouri.

He too hopes to return and complete his degree.

Editor's Note:
A new section entitled "Letters Home" will feature letters from LCpl Rob Hegmann in future issues. Hegmann will detail some of his experiences while training for possible war with

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Student Research and Creativity Grants for Spring, 2003

The deadline for applications for student research and creativity grants for Spring, 2003 is February 28, 2003.

To apply for an award, a student must have a McDaniel College grade point average of 3.2 and obtain the direct involvement or close sponsorship of a faculty member. The awards are competitive.

The grants are intended to encourage special projects that complement students' major academic emphases; they are not intended to cover the normal expenses of a course. The project may or may not be connected with a particular course. It may be a special studies outgrowth of a course.

A grant may cover the cost of materials for such projects. It may cover travel expenses to libraries or special collections. These are mere examples; Dean Case would like to see what kinds of creative proposals students may devise, in consultation with appropriate faculty. Grants may range from \$25 to \$500. Applications are available in Dean Case's office.

Two new professors to join English Department

NICOLE GRIMM
Staff Writer

Since late November of 2002 the English department underwent the lengthy task of hiring two new English professors. While the entire process wrapped up on Thursday, February 13, the new professors will not be announced until they are officially hired.

The need for the new English professors came last spring when Dr. Erin Smith, who taught Professional Communication and Advanced Composition, left to pursue other job opportunities. It was then determined that not one professor would be needed to fill her shoes, but two, due to the difficulty of the classes that Dr. Smith was teaching.

The search for replacements began in New York City at an English convention. Dr. Leroy Panek was one of the professors from McDaniel College that attended the convention and interviewed the prospective professors. At the convention, twenty candidates were interviewed and were then narrowed down to a total of eight; four professors for each class.

The next part of the process involved the eight selected professors participating in hour-long interviews held here at McDaniel. Every professor in the English department met the candidates while they completed their interview, which included teaching a sample class. This process as a whole has taken up a lot of each professor's time.

"It's exhausting," Panek laughed. "We have breakfast, lunch, and dinner with them so that the English department can really get to know them."

In addition to the presence of the English professors, Dean Philip Sayre sat in on the sessions as the Affirmative Action Liaison. His purpose was to ensure that the interviewees were not asked anything that would offend them based on race, sex, or religion.

Once all of the individuals have been interviewed, they are ranked based on the professors' personal feelings towards the candidates and the students' response to them. For the candidates that are ranked the highest, it is then up to Dean Samuel Case to present the job offer to them. Whether they choose to join the English department or not is uncertain, however Panek hopes the top choices will accept.

Indicating that an important addition will be made to the English department, Panek concluded, "I am absolutely pleased with the selection." The two new professors will start teaching in the Fall of 2003.

Faculty and Staff!
What's going on in your department?
Anything that deserves recognition?
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Board of Trustees to decide on enrollment increase

KATIE MARTIN
Assistant News Editor

The current undergraduate enrollment here at McDaniel of 1,615 students could be increased by about 10% over the next five years, a decision to be made by the Board of Trustees in upcoming months.

This enrollment increase proposal is included in the five-year Strategic Plan for the college. The plan will be preliminarily presented and discussed at the Board of Trustees Meeting on February 22nd and then voted on at the April Meeting.

The Strategic Plan that has been in place for the last five years also included an increase in enrollment, a much larger increase that took enrollment from about 1,300 to the current 1,600 students.

According to Dr. Ethan Seidel, vice president of finance and administration, such increases "allow for a more diversified student body" and "aid in student interaction."

Another reason for an increase in enroll-

ment according to Dr. Seidel is the size of McDaniel College compared to the eleven other schools in the Centennial Conference, as several schools are 400-500 students larger.

He stated "You can be too small and you can be too big, we don't want to be too small, that is what the whole discussion is about."

There are several concerns that surface with a discussion of increasing enrollment regarding the effects it will have on residence halls, parking, and other facilities.

SGA President Jamari Batolomeo does not think the residence halls will become more crowded, but instead will be more "space friendly." He said "Ironically, I think the living situation will be better because they can now spread people into the North Village and the other buildings will be less dense."

Dr. Seidel echoed this by saying "with all of the new residence halls they are just trying to fill the beds that they are building."

With the opening of apartments in the North Village in January and more opening in the fall, the six total buildings are a huge addition to housing space for students here on campus.

Parking is another issue that could be worsened by the addition of students. However, Dr. Seidel explained "As soon as the city is done with the project on Union Town Road, they will do a major expansion of Harrison Parking Lot, totally redoing it."

There is also a possibility of the addition of parking over in the North Village area because of the number of students that will now be traveling from there.

Dr. Seidel said work on parking lots will occur this summer and estimated that "they will add at least 200 parking spaces."

In the end, the decision to increase enrollment will be made by the Board of Trustees, but SGA President Jamari Batolomeo will have a student vote.

What does the SGA President think about the proposal? He said, "I am kind of in the middle. I think it is ok as long as they accommodate the students...I don't mind the 10% increase and as long as class sizes are still small, but I do not want to see the school too big because I like the small atmosphere."

It was emphasized by Dr. Seidel that "there is no suggesting we increase the student body with the current facilities" and that "the upper end range of student growth won't happen unless facilities grow."

There is a Campus Facilities Master Plan that is also to be voted on by the Board of Trustees that according to Dr. Seidel, details plans for facilities here on campus, including the addition and renovation of residence halls, the Gill Center, Hartlow Pool, the Pub, and Englar Dining Hall.

Such changes would allow the college to increase the number of students here on campus as they could then provide adequate facilities and services.

While the increase of enrollment by 10% may seem like a large number of students to add to such a small campus, it is important to remember that this will occur over five years. According to estimates made by Dr. Seidel, one can expect to see about only 40-50 new faces in addition to the freshmen class here on The Hill next fall.

McDaniel Emergency Readiness Plan

In recognition of the federal government's current designation of elevated threat level, all members of the McDaniel College community should be aware that the College has a plan under which it operates in times of emergency. The well-being of our students and campus community is and will continue to be the driving force of all activities in an emergency.

The plan provides guidelines for handling power failures, water shortages, weather emergencies, and other contingencies. It provides a structured response to be followed in the event of emergency and was developed under the guidance of the College's Safety Committee. The College has on hand the necessary supplies for use during an emergency.

Professionals on staff are trained to supervise the campus's response to these emergencies and communicate with all members of the community. Residence Life staff will provide directions in the residence halls. Various places on campus are available for

commuter students, faculty or staff who may need to stay overnight. The McDaniel Web site at www.mcdaniel.edu will be periodically updated to keep parents and others, on campus and off, informed during the course of the emergency and for as long as it is practical.

In the event of an actual emergency the campus community will be notified through the phone mail, e-mail, and the McDaniel College Web site. Students should take responsibility for regularly checking their e-mail. In order to receive campus-wide e-mail announcements, students must have a College e-mail account, which may be obtained from the Office of Information Services in the middle level of Decker Center. Instructions for automatic forwarding of e-mail messages from a College account to another account are available from Information Services or on the College Web site.

Please be assured we will communicate promptly with all members of the commu-

nity in the event of new developments. If you have concerns or suggestions, please call or e-mail the Dean of Student Affairs (410-857-2242 or psayre@mcdaniel.edu) or the Department of Campus Safety (410-857-2202 or mwebster@mcdaniel.edu).

Like the rest of the nation, the College community is well advised to be in a state of readiness. Students and employees should go about their normal business but should report any suspicious activity to the Department of Campus Safety by dialing ext. 2202. Should an emergency arise, please be sure to:

* Stay calm.

* Use telephones and internet only for critical communication. During times of emergency, communication lines can easily become clogged. Reduce your electrical power consumption to a minimum; if you have a cell phone, use it sparingly.

* Follow directions of campus safety oficers and residence life coordinators.

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Parking remains a campuswide concern to all drivers

Ever notice how the parking situation seems to worsen year after year, yet the number of permits given out increases, along with increasing first-year enrollment?

Perhaps this is due in part to the number of freshman claiming to have emergency situations or part-time jobs that require the use of a car when traveling off-campus. Yet, the freshman are not to blame for the school's undaunting need to boost first-year enrollment in order to put McDaniel College on the map.

Why not take advantage of the naïveté behind handing parking permits out like candy, despite the mitigating factor that there are significantly less spaces than there are driving students?

Currently, the parking ordeal has become so absurd that resident and commuter students alike have resigned themselves to parking along the grass behind the football

field.

I am one of the many who depart day after day with muddy tires, literally leaving my track marks behind on what the school prides itself upon being such a well-maintained campus facility. Apparently muddy chunks of beaten up grass fall under the category of beautiful surroundings.

Okay, so the other option is to "create" a parking spot of your own by sliding alongside a row of cars, half in the grass, half on the pavement.

Or you can turn the diagonal lines facing the staircases into a spot as well.

Just be prepared, frustrated drivers, because Campus Safety, always on the prowl, will be only too quick to slip that yellow ticket under your windshield wiper when you're not looking.

Of course, they are just following policy and regulation. And we

are simply out of options.

It's a shame that we are all trapped on-campus every week, Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., or as I like to call it, "prime time."

This is when you can count on commuter students and faculty to be in full attendance, creating competition for the room and board paying residents.

I sympathize with commuter students, as well, since they are allotted a significantly less convenient and less abundant amount of spaces on-campus. Gee, at least faculty can park wherever they want to.

As usual, it pays to be one of the employed.

Once again, it is neither the fault of the faculty, nor the staff, nor the commuter or resident students for the continuous lack of parking year after year, day after day.

Moreover, it is the school's general lack of consideration in hand-

ling an excessive amount of permits to an increasing student body without any thought.

Go ahead, continue to build academic buildings and housing over top of the few and far between parking lots students have to occupy. We'll do our part by continuing to find grassy areas to park in.

Who knows,

maybe one day the tennis court will double as a recreational area and a lot. This school has obviously proven there are no boundaries too great to achieve the impossible.

~Erin Romanski is a junior English major.



No Rouzer repairs, trash heaps discourage prospectives

Well, just in case, you thought everything's fine around campus and they have it all fixed for our general satisfaction, and Dan-the-Man is finally going to put his pen to rest, here's a Happy New Year to You all, with a new "Hi".

And here I am, telling You know, that it's, in fact, not over, Dan still hasn't retired his jersey (00 for still vulgar language), and he is still on DeCon 4 with his computer-slave booted for his desires (with enough memory besides the gibberish of music, movies and porn) to record all the ridiculous, petty stuff that Western McDaniel College is unable to fix/able to screw up.

What I have for you today is short and sweet like a quarter of a candy cane.

It's actually two things, but not even both add up to one satisfactory ranting. In fact, I get more of a lick out of seeing that "Legalize freedom" T-shirt, than from what follows. Then again, why am I demoralizing what hasn't even been socialized yet, right?

Anyway, this first one is sent straight out to Physical Plant. Working for Residence Life, among a thousand other benefits, also provides me with some insight into what needed to be handled in terms of repairing around the campus and living in a residence hall provides me with the unique experience of seeing what those actually get done.

Or more appropriately, what does not get done, I have no intentions to engage in a pen-war, but the fact that it took a whole semester for Rouzer 318 to have its blinds fixed might be considered inappropriate by some spoiled brats used to a somewhat faster service.

But room 318 is closed-dorms territory. What I would be more interested in is what took so damned long about fixing the entrance of Rouzer, given that a couple weeks ago it finally got

done within a matter of hours?

Thanks to whoever analyzed it apart, the clock looked like a real dumpster with that pretty little temporary rail enabling the smoking community of Rouzer to donate themselves to their favorite past-time, while taking up an observational position of Rouzer Lounge's endless and interminable activities.

But somehow (and maybe it's just me being too artistically inclined here) that wooden rail just didn't match the rest of the neo-renaissance style of the Castle von Rouzer. Now, personally, I didn't care about the "landscape after battle" in front of the joint at least the truth was (literally) out: it looked on the outside just like the bad place that it is on the inside (mad props to the architect yet again).

But every time I passed it, I couldn't help but wonder how long it was going to stay like that for months, not even the rail has been removed.

And that, ladies and gentlemen, I thought, was stupid! Because it's not just Rouzer-rats and other inhabiting species who get to see the results of a private aggression therapy (we are the ones probably caring the least actually).

But what about the glorious future, this college is trying to look forward to? Isn't that why we changed our name?

So that we can attract more talent and future potential to the place (thanks in the name of all those who have to realize that they are not special. Sorry kids, Your parents were wrong!)

With stunning visuals like that? I'm sure many people finally put their votes down by McDaniel after they saw Rouzer... or not...

Or was this the new politics of the administration towards the students? "We only, changed the name, we are very much conservative otherwise."

Here you can see, that we even

keep the stuff that's broken the way it is, because we just won't let go of the past." Well, we're honored in the name of all Western Maryland College students.

But just how exactly do we expect to attract interest, if while striding along in the Land of Unspoken Beauty, McDaniel County, the unexpected visitor suddenly bumps into a huge pile of trash? Or is this part of the new image? The "honesty trip", with the tour-guides being instructed to say from here on: "And this, ladies and gentlemen, is yet another face of McDaniel College. On our small but convenient campus, one can really feel home, whatever social background he may arrive from.

A whole city of modern urban America is represented with all its faces and elements: we have fast-food restaurants poisoning your children with unhealthy nutrition that also tastes like crap, over-expensive stores where you get ripped off just like at Dolce & Gabbana, over-life-size bureaucracy that will prepare your sons and daughters for the real life in an asylum, and here you can see the official projects of McDaniel City.

This is the correctional... I mean, housing facility, where you will have to stick your dearest one upon arrival.

He/she/it will spend the first couple of months in this "boot camp"-lager, where people are conditioned to circumstances that would rule America in case of an atomic disaster. The motto is: if something gets messed up here, it will not be...

Hold on, I'm sorry, but the term "fixed" does not exist in the local lingo.

It needed to happen first before it can have a name attached to it.

But you know what? This might be the ghetto, but when the darn kid gets out of here, he will know to appreciate how good he had it at

home.

Nevertheless, this new style of art, called junk-yard art-deco, is quickly gaining on popularity, etc.". Was that what we were looking for? 'Cause if not, then why didn't somebody do a damned thing about that railing months ago when it happened?

Well, it's fixed now, no use complaining. I only thought that the speed of things happening around here is somewhat, well... ridiculous. It's like George W. on downers. If I were to make a movie about the relationship between Physical Plant and the students, I would title it "The Slow and the Furious".

But compared to the next one, this was a trifle. Because running my second lap, I would like to know who was that person, who masterminded the idea of moving the card-thriving from Decker into the Pub (if I know you, I'm sorry, it is a marvelous idea, more power, and I was just about to prepare your nomination for the Nobel peace-prize)? I mean: WHY??? What's the point? Why is it in a better place now than it was before? Because as much as I'm trying to think of at least some semi-decent reason, I simply blank out. Correction, I don't. I do actually think that now it is an even worse place than it was before.

Because previously, as long as Decker was open, one had access to the machine.

By moving it into a spot, which has a more restricted access in its schedule than Decker does, I just fail to see who has actually benefited. The 15 yard-walk, if one wanted to put money on his card for purposes of feeding his burger-hungry butt at 12 midnight, was at least pre-burning one's about-to-be-gained love-handles (besides, one can pay cash in the Pub).

As for how does it make transferring money easier?

I don't know!

And while we are mentioning the transfers, I really don't want to get into this, but I guess you will believe me anyway, if I say, that I do have my opinion about the two strips instead of a single one, and it's not one bit briefer than the opinion about Physical Plant's accomplishments throughout the last semester (given, that this also gets the benefit of the doubt, that somewhere, somehow it might make sense in a weird kind of way after all).

And I know this really is a backstabbing, mean and clandestine question, but if they already moved that pile-of-shit of a machine (which was and still IS malfunctioning more, than it is malfunctioning), why didn't they relocate it into a 24-hour access area?

Like next to the ATM in Decker, or in the direct neighborhood of Campus Safety?

These places have proven to be rather safe so far, so I can't imagine a reason against them!

Or (even though I know I am seriously pushing it with this) why didn't they put up a couple of other ones around the campus (a rather student-friendly investment that could have

been after so much money was spent on the name-change)?

And now for the real deal: when are they moving the shit back? Because I want to do laundry... from my thin strip... at 2 o'clock in the morning... or 6.

But as a substitute You can also give me a heads-up: which one is cheaper to fix after excessive damage: the Pub-door or the card-acceptor in the laundry room?

'Cause I know a couple guys just too eager to help out for a six-pack.

Yours truth-, respect-, and mercifully:

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Teach your children, teach your parents

Parents want their children to have better versions of the things and experiences that they once enjoyed.

For me, this consists of a better education, better job opportunities, a better country in general, and hopefully a much better marriage.

So naturally, I stand to inherit a much cleaner war than the one they had to deal with.

I can remember my American History teacher discussing Vietnam almost as well as I remember my parents talking about it. My history teacher was afraid.

He protested, he cried, and he wondered if he would be drafted next for a war that was to him immoral.

When he was in college, he heard girlfriends screaming and crying down the hall because their boyfriends had been drafted. Monthly, then weekly, then every few days.

The screaming in the dormitories persisted. He always told us how lucky we were not to have to worry about nukes being pointed directly at our country every day. He said we were lucky that we could say goodbye to our families each morning without wondering whether we'd see them at the end of the day.

I miss that year, 1998. I didn't have to worry about that type of thing then, and he was right.

Today is very different, though. If I complain about the economy, everyone my parent's age says I am too lazy to find a job. I voted, and I'm American, so that gives me the right to complain about whatever I want.

Furthermore, it is my duty to insist upon Despite Columbia, exploration positive

Columbia tragedy stalls space program

There is no strife, no prejudice, no national conflict in outer space. Its hazards are hostile to us all.

Its conquest deserves the best of all mankind, and its opportunity for peaceful cooperation may never come again.

President John F. Kennedy uttered these words at Rice University in 1962 as a way of inspiring the nation towards the prospect of space exploration (namely landing on the moon).

While the days of Neil Armstrong, Buzz Aldrin and galloping around the moon have come and gone, space is no less dangerous a place in 2003 than it was in the 1960s. One must look no further than the tragic flight of the Space Shuttle Columbia.

On January 16, during my flight into Orlando, Florida, I was lucky enough to watch the Columbia launch. The pilot announced over the intercom that if we were lucky, we would be able to see the shuttle launch before landing in Orlando International Airport.

About five minutes later, I witnessed the initial orange blast from engine ignition; seconds later, I watched as the Columbia lifted off from Cape Canaveral and sliced like a bullet through the sky. The plane then made the bank to start landing, and I watched out the window as it ascended faster than I had imagined.

I lost sight of it and concentrated on the imminent landing but little did I know that I had witnessed the final launch of the Columbia. I was awoken at school on February 1 by my father, who called to tell me that NASA had lost contact with Columbia, and was believed lost.

My first question was: the same ship that we saw launch? The answer was of course, yes. I must have spent the majority of that Saturday watching the various news shows and keeping up with the available informa-

change when I see injustice being done in my own country, but when my opinion differs from the majority, I am told to move to Iraq.

I see wistful and forlorn looks appear on my mother's face when I tell her that I am against this war and the way it is being waged; even though the gunfire hasn't started and the chemicals haven't been released, there are thousands of American troops over in the Middle East now.

I wonder if she is too brave or too cowardly to tell me that a peaceful protest doesn't make a difference in the long run of history.

Is she saddened by that, which she believes to be fact, or is she saddened because I believe a difference can be made?

So how are our parents doing as parents? How do they see us?

I think that many of us really have better opportunities because of our parents and to their credit. And yes, that may make many of us spoiled.

However, do we deserve the barrage of insults that our parents' generation has placed upon us in the media?

We are lazy, jobless, anorexic drug users with severe pornography addictions. We are reckless drivers, apathetic voters, and generally ungrateful.

And we most definitely spend far too much time on the internet.

Who handed us this economy, the leftover 60's drugs? Who published the porn, and taught us how to drive and be indifferent to politics despite their former selves?

Who invented the internet? No, it

wasn't Al Gore, it was our parents.

In 21 years, I have been taught that: violence is bad despite what I watch on television, people are generally good despite Hitler and Manson, it's great to have multiculturalism, an eye for an eye isn't always the best rule, and that it's great to take obsessive care of the environment.

As I approach my 22nd year, I am now told that: violence is unavoidable when a pre-emptive strike is necessary, anyone can be bad and I should be watching my neighbors for suspicious activity (especially if they are of Arab descent), it's okay to hurt someone if he tried to hurt my daddy first, and that the only parts of the earth worth giving a damn about are the parts that contain oil.

Then we get to take oil and pollute the environment with it.

Now I understand why Woodstock was being used to advertise Jeeps.

Our parents became over 30, and are unable to trust themselves. They've sold out sooner than Bob Dylan went electric, and now they hand us the same type of war they protested. I will not be a screaming girlfriend in a dormitory hall. I will not be told to give up my citizenship because I am doing my duty to disagree, and refusing to blindly follow.

I will not be taken over by the disenfranchised media-driven image of my generation. I will become the media, and instead disenchant it.

I will dissent, while I still have the right to do so.

- Tara DellaFranzia is a senior English major.

tion and speculation.

While reports continue to come in daily about the possible causes of the accident, there are people in Washington who have been looking for reasons to shut down the NASA manned space program for years. With a budget in excess of \$13 billion, it is one of the most expensive facets of the yearly budget.

Some people ask: what do we receive in return for the money that is spent on the space program?

We have already been to the moon and



back, numerous times, as well as sending landers and robots to Venus and Mars. We have sent probes that have studied planets and even ventured outside of our solar system.

What more is there to do? How many lives need to be lost? The Columbia tragedy marks the third manned space flight tragedy, the other two being the first Apollo and the Challenger. The latter set NASA back almost 3 years. Why risk lives for space? What if the Europeans said this about crossing the Atlantic Ocean all those years ago when where would that leave us?

History is built upon people who risk their lives to further discovery and humanity and Columbus, Earhart, Lindbergh,

Armstrong, and most recently the seven brave men and women about the Columbia.

We must continue our venture into space so that no heroes lost in the peaceful exploration, die in vain.

Space is the future of the human race. In fact, the stage for further exploration to other planets and for more multinational cooperation is in orbit right now.

Manned flights to Mars are in the planning stage, the search for extraterrestrial life is ongoing, and because of depleting resources, either mining the moon or colonization may be necessary.

The future for humanity does indeed lie beyond our own atmosphere.

Astronauts know this, and that is one of the reasons that they choose their career path. Like many great explorers before them, we must not be afraid to follow in their footsteps, to whatever undiscovered country that our explorers and heroes may lead us.

The Old World traveled to the New World, we sailed around the world, we flew across the Atlantic, we ventured 385,000 kilometers to the moon we cannot be afraid to travel further if we can not let our heroes die in vain.

To quote Kennedy once again, many years ago the great British explorer George Mallory, who was to die on Mount Everest, was asked why did he want to climb it.

He said, Because it is there. Well, space is there, and we're going to climb it, and the moon and the planets are there, and new hopes for knowledge and peace are there. And, therefore, as we set sail we ask God's blessing on the most hazardous and dangerous and greatest adventure on which man has ever embarked.

-Edward K. Schultheis is a senior communication major.

Today's hot topic: "Why War?"

I pose this question as I am trying to find the right words and the right way to convince the reader that war is not an inevitable event at this time. But it is an event our president refuses to find an alternative to.

This question is also being posed only three days after a terrorism alert level was raised from orange to red. Interrupting the typical "snowcast" that interrupts normal T.V. programming when a substantial winter storm occurs, was the national report of the heightened terrorist-threat level. In local news, this increased level encouraged several states to enhance their security.

As reported in The Sacramento Bee, California created a new agency, Gov. Gray Davis formally created a California Office of Homeland Security of February 7 and said, "The purpose of this office is really to more rapidly share and disseminate information and coordinate security efforts up and down the state."

Maryland governor Robert Ehrlich also held a press conference and promised that extra emergency staff are now on the job and the state police command center is open 24 hours a day until threat level is lowered.

In cities such as York, PA newspapers contain headlines such as "Military duties split families as war worries increase."

Deep down inside George W. Bush refuses to admit that it is our government who is at fault. Not just for Saddam Hussein's fanaticism, but also for Bin Laden's fanaticism.

The U.S. gave both Iraq and Afghanistan a substantial amount of money several years ago so that they could build weapons and enhance their defense against other enemies.

Surprise, surprise, it just so happens that America is the new enemy.

So as the cliché goes "hindsight is always twenty-twenty."

Busy practicing and pronouncing the witty words his speech writers have written for him, Bush is too busy to listen to the various world leaders.

Germany and France's leaders

have reiterated their objections to this war with Iraq. Other former U.S. allies are trying to avoid the casualties of war and the need to rebuild the nation. Meanwhile, England's Prime Minister Tony Blair is trying to convince his country that British alliance with the U.S. is a necessity if war is the only way to deal with Iraq.

And what do the American people think?

An Associated Press article from February 8 contains statistics from a recent Newsweek poll: "Support for the attack is 85% if this country has the support of major allies and the United Nations; it's 50% if the country acts only with the aid of one or two allies; and support falls to 37% if the United States acts alone."

Unless I missed the part of that story where the U.N. agreed to war and not just to search for weapons of mass destruction, thus far we do not have the support of the U.N. and certainly not support of major allies. And since all Blair has said is that he would favor war if America thought it was necessary, that leaves 37% of Americans supporting the war.

I admit I am not a math person, but I know that 37% is not the majority vote. It seems that this country has blatantly made a mockery of "majority rule," "democracy," and "freedom of speech."

While all this pre-war press coverage has inundated the front pages and has become the top story for newscasts, anti-war protests and events have received intermittent attention. But they are more prevalent than one could imagine.

Washington, D.C., San Francisco, and even Stroudsburg, PA have hosted hundreds of thousands of peace activists who are willing to ask "Why war?" Obviously they have yet to hear a plausible or valid answer.

If Bush and other politicians would just asked out loud "Why war?" then they could hear such astonishing facts as these from a previous Newsweek poll: "Seven in 10 believe it will cause serious problems for the United States throughout the Arab world."

Three-fourths think it will result

in Iraq using biological or chemical weapons against this country. Almost nine in 10 said they expect it will inspire terrorist acts against U.S. citizens."

No poll contacted me for my opinion; however, I fit into that group of people who fears that wars on foreign soils are no longer possible. If we initiate the war on Iraq, they will fire back on us.

We can't expect to bomb somewhere like Baghdad without any possible repercussions on cities like New York, Baltimore, or Washington.

With the exception of the Civil War and when the colonies sought independence from Britain, America has only slightly missed being a war battleground. It came close with Pearl Harbor, but I guess not close enough for all those ready to go to war.

September 11th was a horrific event that I do not want to happen frequently because our country has to be a super power at any cost. Believe me, there are enough potential news stories in any given day and we do not need a war to keep the newspapers, radio broadcasts, and television newscasts afloat.

Not to get into any more statistics, but does anyone know how many inspiring, enlightening, and unique news stories get replaced by the redundant, biased, and expanding war coverage.

The percentage is overwhelming.

I love the craft of writing and my flair for finding a story, but as long as my "why war" question goes unanswered, I find myself entering a profession I don't always agree with.

Why can't all Americans go on a gas strike against the ever-climbing gas prices that are a result of "an inevitable war with Iraq," while the media refuses to cover war-related stories. Because, like our "be-loved Bush" Americans and the media would be rejecting reality.

And there is already enough of that going on!

-Staci George is a senior communication major.

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Newspapers are filled with articles about the disaffected youth of our time. We hear about how self-absorbed and rude they are.

Well, I would like to share an experience I had at McDaniel College.

My son is a high school student who was awarded a one-course scholarship at McDaniel through Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth.

Last night (January 29, 2003) he had his first class and since he is only 15 years old, I had to drive him.

We were running late, so I decided that I would eat dinner in the school cafeteria.

The gentleman at the register asked if I was a faculty member (an obvious deduction since I am a graying 40 year old), but I ex-

plained that I was the mother of a student. He told me that the cost of my meal would be \$8.50.

As I was retrieving the money from my wallet, a hand with a meal card came over my shoulder.

I turned around and discovered a McDaniel student offering to pay for my meal. I failed to get his name, but he was wearing a Wrestling Team jacket.

He was very polite and insisted on paying for my meal.

Also, throughout the evening, I found doors being held for me by students of both genders, smiles, and greetings. McDaniel College should be proud of the caliber of students attending their institution.

Rebecca Ward

Campus Safety Hypocrisy?

The following letter to Mike Webster, Director of Campus Safety, was submitted to The Phoenix for publication:

Dear Mr. Webster:

An issue has presented itself, and, after reviewing Campus Safety's Mission Statement as recorded on page four of the 2002-2003 Guide and Databook: McDaniel College, I felt it necessary to bring this issue to your attention.

During Fall Break, I was somewhat frustrated when I tried to park in one of the visitor parking spaces directly in front of the outside entrance to Campus Safety.

I was informed by a passing Campus Safety Officer that I would be ticketed if I was to park there because the area is reserved for visitors only, even though I explained that I was only going to park there for twenty minutes in order to have lunch at Englar Dining Hall.

My frustration stemmed from the fact that only one of the other visitor spots was in use, and there were very few students, let alone visitors, on campus due to Fall Break.

Of course, I did move the car to another spot, which was just twenty feet away in the faculty portion of the lot (it was not a faculty-only time).

Now, of course, you are probably wondering what the point of this letter may be. I am not writing to tell you a boring story, nor am I telling you to protest the matter described above.

I am writing to inform you that many, many times during the regular school/work-week I see Official Campus Safety [marked] ve-

hicles parked in the very same row of visitor parking spots that we were told we could not park in during Fall Break.

The Campus Safety Mission Statement declares, "The department provides services to the College community in a professional, respectful, knowledgeable, and skillful manner with the highest standards of ethics, accountability, dignity, humanism, equity, and fairness."

I find it neither professional nor fair that the Campus Safety Department and its officers disregard their own rules, for it is quite obvious that anyone driving an Official Campus Safety vehicle is certainly not a visitor.

Personally, I find it difficult to respect the authority of the department and its rules when I see its enforcers breaking these rules on a regular basis, and I have confidence that, once you have been in formed of this issue, you will resolve it immediately, preventing your officers from continuing to abuse their privileges.

Thank you for your time and your attention to this matter, as well as your dedicated service to maintaining the safety and justice of our campus.

Sincerely,

A Concerned Student

A note on anonymous submissions:

Well-written, inoffensive commentaries and letters to the editor will be considered for publication in The Phoenix. Anonymous submissions must be free of slander, and the author should cite a reason for withholding his/her name if it is not clear by content of the submission.

Commentary suggestions for next issue:

1. Should we be going to war with Iraq, rather than dealing with the North Korean crisis?
2. Is this war really about weapons and mass destruction?
3. What campus issue do you feel needs to be improved most? (parking, dormitories, new apartments, etc.)

***If you would like to take a stand on any of these current issues, contact Commentary Editor Tara Dellafranzia at x8033, or respond in the form of a commentary and you can be published in an upcoming issue.**

Facing reality as a community and as a generation

Well, folks, it would appear that, at least for those of us graduating in May, the end is in sight.

Wait a minute: it actually isn't even remotely in sight, and anyone who tells you otherwise (assuming that you've been told this, of course) is blatantly lying to you.



After all, there is life after college, just as there was life before college (if I remember correctly, and I honestly probably don't).

Bad habit, pet peeve

Perhaps it's a person who tries to use big words but ends up mispronouncing them.

Or how about that person who squeezes the toothpaste from the top instead of from the bottom?

Maybe it is the person who leaves the smallest sip of milk in the carton and it is not until you have found a clean bowl, poured the cereal, and cut the banana that you realize there is no ¹/₂!@# milk left.

That's right, class, today's subject is pet peeves. And believe me, everyone has them. Someone's bad habit is another's pet peeve.

Example number one (and my biggest peeve): the running water while brushing teeth. Hopefully, those who live on my floor know how much it bothers me. Some times I try to ignore the fact that the water is running full blast while it's not being used, as the hand glides the toothbrush over each tooth and molar methodically for 30 to 90 seconds before spitting out a glob of toothpaste and food particles. Other times I can't ignore it and reach over and politely turn off the water and remind them how wasteful this is.

Then there are the times when I have to bite my tongue because I know how angry this pet peeve makes me when I think about how many other people share this bad habit of leaving the water running when it is not even being used. It's one thing to let it run to flood the glob of toothpaste and diner remnants down the drain, but that can be done while you're rinsing at the end.

Example number two: unreturned phone calls and/or emails. Admittedly, we all have those few friends who are snails when it comes to returning the call or e-mail.

Some don't even return the call, but somewhere around month two or three you think of something else important that has occurred in your eventful life and you decide to try to call again.

You get that same voice mail message "Leave your name and a message, and I get back to you soon." And you choose some choice words and emphatically scream "DE-FINE SOON."

Yet when you see them in class the next day, they are once against your best friend and Friday's plans need to be made.

Secretly you vow never to return their call or e-mail, no matter what the circumstance. It's okay to talk in class, but into they

All the same, for the sake of what follows, you should just agree that there was).

While graduating from college in May will indeed be a exciting and rewarding experience, I've come to believe that actually earning a degree is only part of what we should be collectively trying to achieve at this point in our lives.

Not to in any way dismiss the importance of a quality education, but, as I have said MANY times before, college is about way more than just getting your diploma and getting on with life, and it is these other lessons that we must make sure we carry with us as we face down what we will encounter after graduation.

Aside from what from what one learns about themselves during their college careers (which is quite extensive in itself), a truly educated student should learn a lot about how to navigate through the "real world" and how to deal with those with which they must coexist.

actually call you or send the e-mail, there shall be no such communication!

Example number three: Taking up a parking space on campus with too few parking spots already and not driving said car until the next holiday break occurs.

Think it doesn't happen?

Trust me, it does. While I leave campus at least once a day and return, I see the same car parked in the same spot it's been in since last week, if not before.

If I knew I'd only be driving once or twice a semester, I'd leave the car at home in the garage, where it would not be subjected to winter's messy conditions and the carelessness of other drivers who may open their doors quickly without such a regard for my defenseless car door. I truly feel bad for commuters and faculty who practically have

to play Russian roulette to get a parking spot.

There are not nearly enough "faculty only" labeled parking spaces to accommodate each faculty or staff member, nor is there one space per commuter. Vehicles that are driven maybe once a week, if that, are taking these spaces away from those who come and go daily.

And when we have a substantial snowfall like Friday, February 7's, can the powers that be please coordinate some sort of snow plowing, where parking lot-by-parking-lot drivers remove their vehicle for a few minutes while a snow plow clears the parking lot, so that a week later the parking lot is still not snow-covered. But then again, I am used to my dad plowing our driveway ten minutes after the snow stops or slows down at least.

These are only three of my pet peeves. But with fear of being labeled "obsessive compulsive," I will stop here. I will not add tags sticking out of shirts, dishes not washed within an hour of being used, untied shoelaces, unorganized people, and junk e-mails to my laundry list of pet peeves.

If you are guilty of any of the three pet peeves/bad habits discussed above, and can only change one thing, it is urged to turn off the water while brushing your teeth. We are barely out of a drought situation and we don't need wasteful college students and staff members to deplete the water sources.

- Staci George is a senior communication major.

The question is, have we truly prepared ourselves for these things?

This might all seem obvious, and it honestly should be, but I think some of us are overlooking the "finer points," if you will, of this somewhat harsh reality.

Even if you know what you are going to do as far as employment after graduation (and that would put you one step ahead of me, I might add), there are still many other factors you must be prepared to deal with.

For example, if you think Campus Safety rules with an iron fist, wait and see how the police will handle your drunken antics.

Of course, some of us already know how that goes, and to those of you in this category, I give an ironic "good job."

You are truly ahead of the game. All joking aside though, what we are facing as a generation can get pretty overwhelming sometimes.

Aside from the daily threat of war and terrorist attacks (you know, the trivial stuff), we must also face the fact that many of us will never get the jobs we wish we had, or

even jobs that we can learn to love over time.

What is more, we must all learn that, to a similar end, it really doesn't matter what sort of job you have, as long as you are stay healthy and above ground.

Again, this should all seem obvious, but recent history has shown us that we tend to be a generation, not to mention an entire society, that never sees "it" coming.

All I am really saying is this: it's truly time to look around and see what exactly lies ahead of us, not only as a college community, but as a generation overall.

If you are one of the few who has been able to do this, and has come to terms with the dismal life you may and will have if you continue to live blindly, than I commend you. For the rest of us, it is time to open our eyes.

After all, the real tests lie ahead of us. Finals and term papers are nothing.

-Mike Wiles is a senior English major.

Campus Poetry Corner

Each issue, *The Phoenix* will now publish poetry from the campus community. Poets should submit their work to the commentary editor via the *Phoenix* box at the information desk in text format on a disk, or call Tara at x8033 for more information.

Certain Things

by Lauri Gann

I am figuring out why certain things happen in the world

I try not to envy people or even hate them.

But at times it seems so hard.

*I wish to look, to act, and to be other people.
I do not understand why I cannot love myself.*

But then I remember that people may envy me.

Response

by Tara DellaFranzia

I am figuring out why certain things happen in our minds

I cannot embrace them, and cannot escape them.

If a room can act womb-like, then what is a mind?

*I wish to plunder, escape, and cry in guilt.
I do not understand why I cannot love the world.*

But then I remember to envy others.

Next month's theme is: Spring



Preview: "The Threepenny Opera"

STACI GEORGE
Assistant Commentary Editor

Imagine a play that draws parallels between Nazi Germany, Margaret Thatcher's 1981 England, the punk movement, and the United States in 2003.

This is what the cast of The Threepenny Opera has been creating since the last week of January when they were rehearsing eight hours a day, said Elizabeth van den Berg, director and professor of theatre arts.

Kurt Weill and Bertolt Brecht's The Threepenny Opera is based on the 17th century play The Beggar's Opera by John Gay. Weill and Brecht adapted Gay's play to have the same story line and added political commentary to make audiences think.

Van den Berg's show is set in London in the year 1981. She said the story could be understood on two levels. First, the very simplistic plot where MacHeath, a criminal "mob boss" ruler of the underworld, meets and seduces Polly, the daughter of the King of Beggar's. The father does not want MacHeath with his daughter so MacHeath and Polly run away. Her parents go after them and try to get him locked up.

Playing MacHeath is senior Albert Pero, who recently returned to McDaniel College after taking some time off from studies at (what was then) Western Maryland College.

Excited about the show and his return to the school's theatre department, Pero commented that

"There is no better way I'd like to come back."

"It's interesting how you take bits of your character and apply it to your real life and how you take your real life and put it into your character," said McDaniel's finest rehearse endlessly to put on this production.

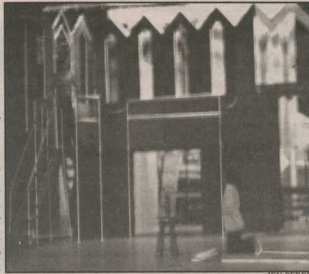
Pero trying

to explain what it is like to play a character very different from himself. Senior Amy Hyde plays Polly and describes her character as "pure and innocent until she meets MacHeath and starts to take control of her life and becomes corrupt like everyone else." The second level is the other elements that make the audience think about a deeper meaning.

Van den Berg wants the audience members to, "Ask what does that mean. They may not know. But hopefully they'll think about it."

These other elements include slides from various time periods of 1981 England, Nazi Germany, and present day United States to show how history repeats itself.

Faculty discussion of the 2002-2003 school year productions took place shortly after the September 11 attacks. Van den Berg recalls the discussion and how she wanted a



JEN PERCY

play that would reflect the political events of today. Van den Berg says The Threepenny Opera is a play she has always liked. It is a complex play she wanted to explore for a long time.

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McDaniel's stand on Affirmative Action

TARA DELLAFRANZIA
Commentary Editor

Like McDaniel, many schools have administrations that pride themselves on creating a diverse environment for their students by encouraging campus communities that include African-Americans and other groups and races that are commonly classified as minorities. Over our schools break, the University of Michigan received national attention when President Bush made remarks on the issue of quotas being debated at that school.

The University of Michigan, a large school, uses a point system in their admissions process. The more points a student's record can acquire in the admissions process, the more likely that student is to be granted admission. The controversy over admissions occurs because minority students are given extra points because the school wishes to add diversity. However, this can also be seen as discrimination toward white students, who are ineligible for the extra points.

McDaniel's Dean of Admissions, Marty O'Connell, has offered comments on the issue as it pertains to our school. "We have the luxury, with a pool of applicants just over 2,000, of being able to review each one individually, so we do not rely on a point scale," she explains. "Typically this system is used for schools with very large applicant pools and/or colleges that are highly selective in that they

have many more applicants than spaces."

O'Connell also describes the interest on our campus to make our college experience one of diversity. The Board of Trustees, faculty, and the Presidents Cabinet have been particularly motivated to encourage campus diversity. Instead of using more discriminatory methods, O'Connell asserts that McDaniel's marketing often targets minorities with advertisements.

She also believes that minorities who have had positive experiences at McDaniel have had a great impact on increasing minority enrollment by word of mouth. She says: "It is still a difficult decision for a minority student from a predominantly minority school and community environment to choose a college and community like ours that is predominantly white. The more students are happy and successful here, the more they will recommend it to others."

As for scholarships, O'Connell maintains that they are academically based and "never awarded only on the basis of race." Admissions would like to continue to make efforts to include more minority students so that McDaniel might better represent the diversity that exists in our country.

Through student and school created groups and programs such as the Black Student Union, the study abroad programs, and the Office of Multicultural Services, our campus community appears to be welcoming of such progress.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

SOUL FOOD

TRINICIA FLORES
Staff Writer

Black History Month is meant to be a month in which we take time out to celebrate, give homage to, and learn about the many contributions made to this country by African Americans.

It is a shame that all of the Black History that is within our reach is only confined to a month. There is so much out there that we need to learn about and become aware of. Black History is indeed American History.

It is important for African Americans to know what contributions their ancestors have made to this country, and to take pride and responsibility for letting the world know about the great dreams and accomplishments. On the other hand, it is important for people of all walks of life to learn about black history as well. It is important because by understanding others, you better understand yourself.

This principle goes for many other cultures and races that exist

Keepin' it Real Forum

in our world today. So educate yourself, for yourself.

BSU (Black Student Union), is just one of the many cultural organizations on the McDaniel College Campus. It is an organization that caters to the needs and issues of the minority students on campus. Along with the Multicultural Services Office, the BSU plans a

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variety of activities open to the public to educate on Black history.

During the month of February there are many activities that have been planned to raise awareness of the accomplishments of African American Community, both in the past and in the present. The past activities included the viewing of Barber Shop followed by a forum discussion on some of the issues with the movie. It was almost like a book club, where you read a book

Gospel Jubilee

and then get together to discuss it later, except it was with a movie. This allowed students to express their own opinions on the positive and negative aspects of the movie.

Next, there was the Soul Food Dinner, which took place on February 9, which presented the campus and community with an opportunity to partake in fine dining and

good fun. A lot of students may not know what soul food is, so for the record, it is home cooked meal, where family and friends sit down together and share in good food and conversation.

Students, faculty, staff, and members of the community cooked or brought delicious treats, from fried chicken to sweet potatoes. After eating, there was a talent showcase that featured junior Tia Lawrence. She read a story she

"The Meeting"

wrote about the power of friendship.

The "Keepin' it Real" forum took place on February 12; it was a time for students and faculty of all races to express issues of race, and the alienation that can be brought on by race. All week members of the McDaniel community placed their questions into a dropbox at the Information Desk. On this night, these questions were addressed by a panel of students and faculty, and discussed amongst the audience there.

These activities are for all who are interested. The BSU wants everyone to be educated and to feel welcome.

This has been a short synopsis on Black history month at McDaniel College, but the celebration is not over. There are still more events to be planned. Stay informed by listening to your phone messages so that you can get the latest updates about upcoming activities. Then take the time to come out, learn something, and have a good time.

Upcoming Black History Month events

"The Meeting"
A play highlighting Black icons.

February 18, 2003
8p.m. Forum

Gospel Jubilee Performances
from several choirs within the community.

February 22, 2003
7p.m. Big Baker

Jan term course takes you to *Italy* "through the lens"



Visitors admire the Pantheon and surrounding landscape.

KAREN WHELAN

"Italy is a country rich in culture, art, and history. Seeing the country for two weeks made me appreciate the art even more. Rome had the history, Florence had the shopping, and Venice had the art. This is a trip I will never forget."

- Lauri Gann, junior



KAREN WHELAN

Lauri Gann poses with Craig Morsberger as he models a leather coat from a store in Florence.

STACY GEORGE
Assistant Commentary Editor

Every January, there are various study tours that McDaniel students can join in order to obtain Jan-term credits while learning about another region of the world. In the upcoming issues of *The Phoenix*, I am encouraging anyone who went on a study tour to submit photos and comments about their experience during that trip. So campus mail me those photos and brief summaries of your travels to places like Belize, England, or even other regions of the United States. All photos will be returned.

For this issue, sophomore Karen Whelan submitted some photos of her trip to Italy. She and other students got to see various Italian cities "through the lens" while on a trip with Sue Bloom, professor of art.



KAREN WHELAN

A gondola awaits passengers in Venice



CRAIG MORSBERGER

Each one unique in its own artistry, Whelan picks one to try on while in a mask store in Venice.

GET
NOTICED

There is a plethora of community service opportunities available both here on the McDaniel College campus and in the surrounding Carroll County area. In an effort to spark student interest in community service, The Phoenix will be highlighting service accomplishments and opportunities in upcoming issues.

Feel free to contact the Career Services Office at ext.2243 for further information on any of the service activities mentioned in this column or if your organization would like to be spotlighted.

up for the gym class," but would still have a lot of fun playing.

If you would be interested in participating in such an event to learn a little about golf or if you would want to help organize the event or the youth tournament, you should reach Dan Waeger and other members of Links "Fore" Kids at ext. 8395.

real, well that's what people in the house do it for." House members intend to continue their engaging service project for the kids this spring and next year.

Plans for the spring for the kids

include three more golf clinics, and possibly a nine-hole tournament here at the college. The kids skills would be put to the test with "longest drive and closest to the pin competitions" during the tournament. Team T-shirts and a following cookout are also ideas in the works for the tournament.

Dan Waeger said Links "Fore" Kids is also "hoping to open up to the college student body" by organizing an evening for students to go out to the golf course and learn about golf. He said they came up with this idea "because a lot of kids don't have the time or don't sign



SPOTLIGHT on Service

Here are the **TOOLS** On Campus: *Anyone up for a game of golf?*

KATIE MARTIN
Subscriptions Manager

The installation of a carbon monoxide or smoke detector, a shower grab rail, or a handicap access ramp is not an issue for students living in McDaniel College residences, but these minor home repairs are major problems for some citizens. With the help of students who volunteer their time and labor, the organization **TOOLS** (Teens Offering Others Love and Service, Inc.) provides service to help elderly, disabled, and impoverished citizens maintain their homes.

TOOLS is a non-profit Christian organization that, according to President Jim Roenick, functions under a "commitment to the Lord and to the community to help people who need assistance and don't know how to get it."

Funded mainly by a large grant from the Maryland Affordable Housing Trust, the organization provides all the materials and labor necessary to replace, paint, install, and repair numerous interior and exterior structures in homes. **TOOLS** has helped approximately 40 clients since their organization in January of 2001, with labor pro-

vided by over 100 different students.

The organization usually works one weekend a month, and Mr. Roenick communicates the upcoming work dates through e-mail. Students can volunteer their time on a month by month basis, whenever it fits into their schedule. It is not necessary for students to have any background with construction or maintenance, as they will be performing the minor home repairs under the guidance of adults who are, according to Mr. Roenick, "highly skilled and well versed in the work that they do." The adults will teach the students everything they need to know to perform the labor, even, according to Mr. Roenick, if they must begin as basic as "showing how to hold a hammer."

If you are interested in assisting with this organization, as they are looking to tap into the wealth of able-bodied students here on campus, the next tentatively scheduled date is February 22nd.

Please contact President Jim Roenick at 410-875-2452 or at jimroenick@hotmail.com for more details.

KATIE MARTIN
Subscriptions Manager

Swinging a golf club seems like a simple task, but teaching 20-30 kids ranging in age from 5 to 14 years old how to swing golf clubs

could be quite a project—the exact project tackled by the affinity housing group Links "Fore" Kids. This past fall, Links "Fore" Kids sponsored three free golf clinics, instructing youth in the community on the basic components of golf. The clinics were held at Westminster Island Greens, a driving range just recently installed last summer.

The nine members of the affinity housing group Links "Fore" Kids, and some other members of the golf team took turns teaching the clinics, providing some additional help from the driving range staff. Member Dan Waeger stated "seeing smiling faces when the kids get excited when they hit a golf ball

Gene Orza speaks to McDaniel on Major League Baseball

who wrote this?

Gene Orza, a principal arbitrator for the MLB Players Association, ventured to our McDaniel lounge on Thursday, February 6. A middle-aged man, Mr. Orza previously worked as chief counsel to MCRB and has spent 18 years as a union negotiator resolving the many conflicts that arise between the players he represents and the owners of baseball clubs nationwide.

Thursday, Orza opened with a trivia question to which a correct response, written and submitted after the presentation, would be rewarded by two VIP box tickets courtesy of Orioles manager Peter Angelos, a man Orza claims has been quite a monetary beneficiary of Orza's talents and services.

Orza went on to discuss recent negotiations; he first commented on the strike of 2002, which he directly relates to the strikes of '94, '95, and '96. Gene states that the difference between these strikes and their resolutions is simple; the strike of 1994 proved to be a tough negotiation because the owners demanded the emplacement of a

salary cap, an ultimatum to which no player would succumb. After an incredible 224 days of strike and no baseball (no replacement players would play on the owner's terms), the owners took an important message and retracted the ultimatum.

By 2002, the owners had procured a better thought-out plan to save money rather than demanding a salary cap, the owners decided to place a tax on the player's salaries. The tax would have a "Robin Hood effect," states Orza; the money acquired from the tax would be redistributed to poorer, smaller clubs. The increased revenue sharing would serve to improve the competitive balance of the league.

After a brief discussion of his role in these negotiations, Gene Orza allowed extensive time for questions. One of the first regarded the extravagant salaries that today's players take the luxury of; Orza explained that these salaries are a function of revenue; as in most occupations, the pay scale is a pyramid.

In baseball today, 3,000 players make less than \$5,000 per year yet the top 500 players rake-in over

\$4 million per year." He went on to explain that the managers actually pay for the players to not have free agency, that is, to keep the players among other teams. When asked about several players' initiation to the Hall of Fame, including Pete Rose, Orza stated "I don't see why the voting committee lets the MLB, and independent organization, tell them what to do."

He also pointed out that baseball began as a gambling sport, as did many others, the most flagrant of which is football. Closing his discussion, Orza spoke on the possibility of a club coming to Virginia or MD.

The Expos would most likely be packing up and leaving their Canadian home, which continues downward spiral in support of the American sport.

He believes the team will most likely move to DC, not Northern Virginia although he thinks putting a team in New Jersey would be a good experiment with the idea that the Yankees are successful only because of their New York sponsors, and the head-quartering of nearly every media corporation in their home, NYC.

Student Government Assembly:
Campus Life Committee

JULIE OGRYSKO
Special to Phoenix

This semester, SGA's Campus Life Committee will meet every Monday night at 9:30 in the SGA office. All students are welcome to attend these meetings. Tom Marshall, Class of 2004 President, is the head of the Committee and can be reached at extension 8114 with any questions or comments. Current issues the committee is working on include: improving residence hall conditions, GLAR meal plan concerns, repairing sinkholes in the driveways, and enhancing multicultural diversity on campus.

If you know how to express yourself creatively,
CONTRAST
wants you!

Contrast Literary Magazine is looking for students who can write poetry, short stories, paint, draw, take photographs, and express themselves creatively. You could be published! The whole campus can be looking at your work. Drop off your masterpiece at the drop box behind the Information Desk. Deadline March 15. Call Jay Levy

MOVIE REVIEW

The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers, part II of trilogy And so the trilogy continues, if the characters and the storyline don't grasp you, the scenery will

EDWARD K. SCHULTHEIS
Senior Writer

Anyone who has entered my dorm and seen some of the posters adorning my walls knows that I am an aficionado of *The Lord of the Rings*. This was not always so.

When I saw the original teaser trailer of *The Lord of the Rings* trilogy, more than a year before *The Fellowship of the Ring* was released, I was lukewarm about the movies. Then a friend of mine got me to read the first book of the series, and since then I have been hooked. The story that author J.R.R. Tolkien managed to weave into the 900 plus pages of the entire book, is awesome. The movie trilogy, adapted and directed by Peter Jackson, is equally immense.

The latest installment, *The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers*, is the second movie of the trilogy and was released on December 18, 2002. The name, *The Two Towers*, comes from the two towers that the evil forces control in the movies. What is unique about this movie is that as the middle portion of the trilogy, it has no set beginning or end. In fact, it leaves off exactly where *The Fellowship of the Ring* completed.

The fellowship, which was forged in the first movie, is now split. Hobbits Frodo (Elijah Wood) and Sam (Sean Astin) continue their quest to destroy the One Ring, which was explained in the first movie, to be a ring that represents the darkest of evil. Aragorn (Viggo Mortensen) the human, Legolas (Or-

lando Bloom) the elf, and Gimli (John Rhys-Davies) the dwarf, maintain their pursuit of the other remaining members of the fellowship, who were captured at the end of the first movie.

Along the way, the wizard Gandalf (Ian McKellen), who was thought dead after a duel with a great demon rejoins them. However, this time he is much stronger, and ready to begin the battle for Middle Earth.

There is one actor who has received more attention than any of these, even though he never appears in the movie. Andy Serkis lends the voice to the creature Gollum who is completely computer generated (CG) in the movie. However, Serkis not only lent the voice, but also the likeness and manners of the CG creation - his "performance" has led some people to think that he should have been nominated for an Academy Award.

"The battle at Helm's Deep is the focal point of the movie...whatever slight boredom you suffered during the middle part of the movie is blown away..."

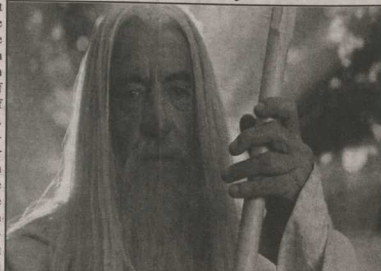
The movie could not look better - and just the scenery makes you want to take a trip to New Zealand, where the movie was filmed.

A person can just get lost in the visuals of the story, and at three hours in length, there is a lot to see. And you will find yourself just looking at the sets that were built, the natural scenery of the country, and the costumes that were prepared especially for the trilogy.

The battle at Helm's Deep is the focal point of the movie. There an alliance of 300 men and elms faces off against an army of 10,000 enemies. The battle is colossal, and whatever slight boredom you suffered during the middle part of the movie, is blown away during the final third. What makes the second movie harder to deal with than the first and third is the fact that there is no set beginning or ending, and while the epic battle at Helm's Deep frames the ending, you feel that it is a bit forced.

Overall, the movie is wonderful, and stands by itself as one of the best movies of the year - for the second year in a row, *The Lord of the Rings* has been nominated for Academy Award's Best Movie. The only problem is that the second third of the movie says a bit between the beginning and conclusion, and I admit I looked at my watch right around the two-hour mark. However, as I said before, the last hour of the movie just flies right by and any trace of boredom is erased.

I would recommend this movie to anyone - anyone who has seen the first movie that is.



SCENE FROM MOVIE

You will find yourself lost unless you do; so why not go spend the five dollars and rent *The Fellowship of the Ring*. That way you can get lost in the second movie, and actually know what is going on. The movie is wonderful, the trilogy immense and I am eagerly awaiting the final chapter, *The Return of the King*, which will be due out in December 2003. **Grade: B+**

College 101

This is the students' outlet for the different situations they experience on campus. From campus safety to GLAR, if you would like to submit a story, please campus mail it to Jessica Watson. Names will be changed to coincide with the fictional characters of the series.

College 101: An ongoing fictional series about campus life



JESSICA WATSON

JESSICA WATSON
Features Editor

Waking up this morning was just like any other, pushing the snooze button a couple times and rolling over and then the negotiation with myself as to whether or not my presence in class is actually necessary. I groaned, because as much as I hate to admit it, I actually need to go to class. My name is Mya and I am a junior English major at McDonald's, I mean McDaniel College. After taking a lukewarm shower (and don't

think this was on purpose, the water just wouldn't get hot) I gathered myself and headed out the dorm.

I'm not really a breakfast person but I still managed to run in to the dining hall and grab a bagel. I sat down quickly with Angie. She is one of the few good friends I have here; we used to come to breakfast together all the time, with a couple other girls, but I eventually phased that out. Trust me, it had nothing to do with my friends.

"Long time no see," Angie said as I sit down.

I smiled, "Yeah yeah," because I knew what she was going to joke about next.

"I mean, you look so pale, are you just coming out of hibernation?" I rolled my eyes a little and started to load the cream cheese onto my bagel. It's always the topic of her jokes, whenever we just so happen to meet in the cafeteria; it's always how it's a miracle that I come in here because I rarely do. Nothing is taken to the heart anyway, so I let it roll off my shoulder.

"Anything else you wanna throw at me while we're here?" I bit into my bagel, chewed quickly and swallowed. It's not that I wasn't planning on enjoying this 'fine cuisine,' but this was just a casual pit stop before class.

"No, not really. So what's up with you?"

"The usual: class, homework, and lack of a social life."

"Hey, we do stuff," she joked, but even she knew that I was referring to the campus life as opposed to what we do on our own.

"Yeah, I know," I glanced down at my watch and then jumped up.

"You're late," Angie said, before I could even get the words out, so I nodded my head, stuffed the last of my bagel into my mouth, said my "see yah later" and jolted out of there.

Despite that I am an English major, I still have an Astronomy class over in New Lewis (also known as Eaton Hall), which is clear across campus. What does Astronomy have to do with English, you ask? Your guess is as good as mine, maybe the stars will help me to predict if I will be a good writer. Regardless, now I'm out of breath as I continue my pilgrimage up the many hills of this campus. My professor starts class promptly at 9:10 and it's about 9:15 right now.

I shouldn't have had that bagel, but I am glad that I ran into Angie. Sometimes I'm so focused on my academics that I forget that some say "college is the best four years of your life." As I head up to the second floor I start slowing down because my heart is racing. It feels like I just got off the treadmill at the gym. I slowly turn the knob on the door and realize that it's locked. My eyes do a heavy roll and I sigh.

"Great," I whisper, still catching my breath. The window on the door is clouded

..I'm out of breath as I continue my pilgrimage up the many hills....

so I can't see inside. I knock gently, and when no one answers a little harder.

My professor comes to the door, "You're late," he said, as if this was high school all over again and he was going to send me to the principal's office. His blank stare made me feel somewhat uncomfortable.

"I know I'm sorry I—" Hmmmm, I've got to come up with something good, I overslept, no, I went to breakfast, no, I—" I was reading over today's lab so that I would be prepared and I lost track of time." I put that "concerned college student" look on my face, but I'm not sure if he fell for it.

"Alright, come in, but I do want to talk to you, after class." Oh great, as if a whole hour with you isn't enough. I didn't do anything wrong, I swear. I rolled my eyes, but not so that he could see. All eyes on me as I make my way to my seat. Some of them even have that "she's always late" look on their faces. Trying not to make a scene I sit down. I search my bag for my Biology lab book, but it isn't even there; so much for my alibi. I slouched in my chair, this was going to be a long day.

To be continued.

Greg asks the burning sports question: Who is the best team in College basketball, in a off the wall type season?

Whos the best team in college basketball? Everyone seems to have a different pick or opinion on the issue.

With the tournament right around the corner, it looks to be the most open march madness in years. Parity has reached the pinnacle of college b-ball, when anybody can beat almost everybody in today's game.

The current number one team is the Arizona Wildcats, one of the most deep teams in the country.

Not only do the Cats' boast a strong lineup of talented young players, but they have three experienced seniors in point guard Jason Gardener and forwards Luke Walton and Rick Anderson.

An X-factor that may give them their center Channing Frye, a lanky big man who can provide inside scoring and defend the paint for the defense.

After Arizona, the hottest team in the country right now might be the Kentucky Wildcats.

In contrast to Zona, this Cats' squad's strength is their ferocious defense that has been smothering opponents and feeding the offense that boasts swingman Keith Bogans on the perimeter and ver-

satile big man Marques Estill on the interior.

It was eye-opening to watch them destroy the former number one ranked Florida Gators in Rupp Arena, making them look like a high school team in the process. If Kentucky's defense holds up and their guard play of Bogans and Gerald Ford remains solid, the potential for two Wildcats in the final four in New Orleans is very high.

Speaking of the Florida Gators, here is a team that is truly an enigma.

They are blessed with a roster of McDonald All-Americans with experience and talent like Anthony Roberson and Brett Nelson, but they can play well one night and disappear the next.

Like alot of teams, they have the "potential" to be the best team in the country, but has shown many weaknesses in their losses to Kentucky and most recently, Tennessee.

The Gators are similar to the Panthers of the University of Pittsburgh. The Panthers returned their starting lineup intact from last year's cinderella claim and at times, this season have played like one of

the nations top teams.

The Panthers have struggled at times though, against teams with worse records than theirs. They are led by their star point guard, Brandin Knight, who can shoot the ball the control the floor with some of the best point guards in the country, but his poor free throw shooting could be an achilles heel during March Madness.

The Texas Longhorns, are led by their star sophomore point guard T.J. Ford, who in my opinion is the nations' best signal caller. He led the nation in assists last season as a true freshman, and has done the same this year. He is the old school point guard who thinks pass first and shoot second, but his supporting cast will have to step up to get the squad to New Orleans.

Texas has been riding high lately since they defeated the University of Oklahoma Sooners. This team has a very good point guard in Hollis Price and made it to the final four last year.

The team that has surprised alot of people is the Louisville Cardinals, led by their legendary coach Rick Pitino who are off to one of their best seasons in school history

in just Pitino's second year.

I doubt that the team is ready this season to go all the way, but its hard to go against Pitino and you have no idea whats going to happen this season.

The sleeper of this season might be the University of Kansas Jayhawks. They were picked as the preseason number one team and many predicted them to be a easy final four team until they struggled early in the season. The problem with the criticism is that who cares about how the Jayhawks played in the early games when what matters happens later on in the season.

Everybody knew that Kansas was going to get in the tournament and they will be a very dangerous team in it.

Not only does their lineup have two excellent seniors in shooting guard Kirk Hinrich and foward/center Nick Collison, but they have excellent role players like point guard Aaron Miles and foward Wayne Simien.

During the season, Kansas has been able to improve their depth due to injuries and come tournament time, they have a good mix

of experience and talent that I could see them as a ver good final four pick.

Before I leave, I must discuss the Duke Blue Devils of the ACC. For the last few years, this squad has dominated college basketball, not just beating teams, but destroying them by like 40 or more points in their home gym.

I must admit here that i'm not the biggest dukiie fan in the world, and I'm pleased to see the team come back to earth. They actually have weaknesses this season and it has been refreshing to see other teams have a chance and also to get to see the coaching wizardry of Coach K.

Has a special coach, and he now has to impart his teaching to a very young, but talented team that I'm sure will be on top again very soon.

I know that I left out some teams, but I just wanted to highlight some of the teams that will make this year's march madness one of the most exciting in years. Fans will have a tough time filling out their brackets this season so everybody has a chance in their office

Men's basketball team coming to the close of a difficult season

GREG LEDERER
Sports Editor

It has been a very tough season for the McDaniel College Men's basketball team.

The Green Terror have struggled with a 5-17 record, but look to end the season on a positive note as the conference schedule draws to a close.

Recently, the team looked to break their four game losing streak, as they hosted tough conference rival Gettysburg College.

On senior day, the Green Terror played well from the start and took a 37-31 advantage into the half, spearheaded by sizzling three point shooting (7 of 10 in the first half).

In the second, the team extended their lead, but couldn't shake the Bullets who finally retook the lead with less than five minutes in the contest.

From there, the game became a close stalemate as no team would take a sizable advantage.

Down 66-63, the Green Terror broke even when senior point guard Greg Hill nailed his fourth three point shot of the day with just 17 seconds left in the contest.

In the closing seconds, the Bullets attempted a wild three point shot that was wide, but they secured the rebound and stuck it back inside to take the lead 68-66 with

only 4 seconds left in route to the victory.

It was a heartbreaking loss for the Green Terror who put together a strong effort, but lost their fifth game in a row.

Hill led the way for the team with a game high 20 points, while senior guard Erik Larson contributed 11 points.

Freshman guard Mike DiPiero had 8 assists and junior forward Alan Hoyt hauled down 7 rebounds in the loss.

On February 12th, the team traveled to Carlisle, PA to play conference foe, Dickinson College.

Despite a record setting night from Hill, the Green Terror fell again on road 80-64. Hill, who scored a team high 17 points in the contest, passed the 600th point mark for his career, hitting five three pointers in the loss.

The team looked to end their losing streak against undefeated conference foe, Ursinus College on February 8th.

McDaniel played well in the first half, taking the lead halfway through, before the Bears responded quickly and built a ten point halftime lead 32-22.

The Green Terror refused to go away and chipped the lead down to four points at one point, but Ursinus's firepower was too much

as they cruised to a 65-49 victory.

Senior Adam Hynes led the McDaniel contingent with 15 points in the loss.

With two games remaining on the conference slate against Johns Hopkins University and Washington College, the team will look to finish their tough season on a high note.

Phoenix Sports Trivia

1. Who is the all-time leading scorer in the history of the March Madness?

2. Who is the all-time leading scorer in McDaniel College Men's B-Ball history?

You can submit your votes now for the All-McDaniel Athletic team. Nominate five athletes that have participated in any varsity sport since the name change. The winners will comprise the first annual Phoenix All-McDaniel team and have their names posted in a later Phoenix Edition. Submit your opinions to the Phoenix box at the Decker College center information desk.



Arizona's big man Channing Frye wrestles the ball away from an opponent.

Athletes bringing the McDaniel Indoor track team to new heights

GREG LEDERER
Sports Editor

With strong performances around, the McDaniel College Indoor Track team is off to a strong start in 2003.

Most recently, the team traveled to Lewisburg, PA for the Bucknell Winter Classic. Senior Ifeanyi Ani broke a conference and school record in the long jump event, with a leap of 22 feet and 7.75 inches.

Junior April Brown also shredded seconds off her conference best time in the 55 meters sprint with a time of 7.48 seconds, bettering her earlier conference leading time of 7.50. With the Conference championships fast approaching, she is ready for the competition.

"I feel like it's coming faster than last year, but I feel like I'll be ready for it," said Brown.

Another pace-setter was junior Christine Johnson who garnered the conference best time in the 400 meters, coming in at 60.83 seconds.

On February 8th, individual athletes competed in the UMES Fighting Hawks Games. For the women's contingent, senior Blair Heinke won the 3000 meter run in 10:45, while Jen Bruce finished second in the pole vault at 9 feet 6 inches.

Senior Melissa Merson also had a strong performance, running the 55 meter hurdles in 9.43 seconds, the sixth best performance in the conference season.

On the Men's side, freshman Broderick Maybank didn't show any nerves in his first meet, as he qualified for the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Championships (ECAC) with a triple jump of 44 feet and 1/2 inches and in the long jump with a leap of 21 feet 1/4 inches. Ani was close behind Maybank with

a long jump of 21 feet 6 and 1/4 inches.

On February 1, the Green Terror contingent visited Lancaster, PA to compete in the Franklin & Marshall Invitational.

Heinke had another strong performance, as she qualified for the ECAC in the 3000 meters race with a time of 10:51, while the 4x200 relay team of Christine Johnson, Kellie Pfeiffer, Nikki Lepson, and Merson picked up a first place finish.

Bruce won the pole vault at 9 feet and also came in second in the 55 meter hurdles with a time of 9.39.

On the Men's side, freshman Stuart Johnson finished second in the 200 meter dash and Ben Hall came in third place in the shot put.

The athletes will next compete on February 21, at the third Susquehanna Invitational.

The Phoenix Sports section could really use the expertise of someone who is interested in Photography.

If interested, please contact the Phoenix at ext: 8600.



Arizona Wildcats forward Luke Walton drives the ball past a defender. Read about him and his number one ranked teammates on page 13.

Swim teams finish conference slate, focus on Conference Championships

GREG LEDERER
Sports Editor

The McDaniel College swimming teams regular season has come to a close with the Men's team finishes 7-4, and the Women 7-5.

Both teams finished their season with a combination of awesome victories and bitter defeats.

On February 8th, the squads went on the road to Chestertown, MD to meet Washington College.

On the Men's side, the meet was closely fought throughout the competition. Junior Dan Pickett led the way for the Green Terror, winning the 1000 Free, 200 IM, and the 200 Back as the contest came down to the last event of the day: the relay.

The team of the day: the relay. Junior Jason Stackhouse, junior Bryan Wingert, and sophomore Alex Spry picked up the go ahead victory to win the meet 95-93.

On the Women's side, the team was dominated by the opposition, losing 148-49. Junior Mary Easterday won the 100 Freestyle for the Green Terror.

The McDaniel squads struggled against Franklin & Marshall on February 5th. The diplomats swept both the men's team (118-72) and the women's squad (121-67).

The Green Terror 200 yard medley relay team of Spry, sophomore Nick Grigsby, Easterday, and Pickett won their event with a team of 1:44, while Pickett also came back and won the 1000 yard freestyle. Easterday also contributed in the loss, winning the 200 yard IM with a time of 2:06.

For the women, junior Melanie Pulley won the 100 yard breaststroke with a time of 1:13 and the 200 yard freestyle relay team of senior Kalli Paterinos, sophomore Lee Ann Ritterpusch, and freshman Brooke Bennett and Aime Smith won their event as well.

The Women's squad dominated visiting Bryn Mawr College on February 1st by a score of 92-30.

The team won every event in the contest, and were spearheaded by freshman Cassandra Allen who set a new school milestone for the 100 yard (1:09) and 200 yard breaststroke (2:21). Pulley also won three

events for the Green Terror, taking the 200, 500, and 50 yard freestyles.

The Green Terror squads swept both sides of their matchup against Ursinus College on January 25th.

On the men's side, the team won every event in the competition, with Pickett, Easterday, and junior Erich Bass each picking up three victories in the contest in route to a 118-41 win.

On the women's side, Allen and Smith picked up two victories apiece and Pulley won three events to lead the team to a 130-61 victory.

With the conference slate of games over, the team is now focused on the Centennial Conference Championships to be held in Lancaster, PA through this weekend of the 21-23.

Are you interested in Sports and Writing?

The Phoenix needs people to cover the many different sports on the McDaniel Campus.

If interested, please contact the Phoenix at ext: 8600



Melissa Merson soars over the hurdles. She was one of athletes honored in our Senior Tribute on page 15

Centennial Conference Standing

Women's basketball

East Division	Conf.	Overall
Muhlenberg	11-1	15-7
Swarthmore	10-3	17-6
Haverford	4-9	7-15
Washington	3-8	7-14
Ursinus	3-9	6-16
Bryn Mawr	0-13	1-21

West Division	Conf.	Overall
Johns Hopkins	17-5	17-5
McDaniel	8-4	17-5
Gettysburg	7-5	15-8
F & M	6-6	12-9
Dickinson	4-8	8-15

Men's basketball

East Division	Conf.	Overall
Ursinus	11-0	17-6
Swarthmore	5-6	9-14
Washington	4-6	8-14
Haverford	4-7	9-13
Muhlenberg	2-8	8-12

West Division	Conf.	Overall
F & M	9-2	20-3
Gettysburg	8-3	12-11
Johns Hopkins	7-4	16-6
Dickinson	2-9	7-15
McDaniel	2-10	5-18

Women's Swimming

Team	Conf.	Overall
Gettysburg	7-0	9-0
F & M	6-1	8-5
Washington	5-2	9-2
Swarthmore	4-3	6-4
Dickinson	3-4	8-4
McDaniel	2-5	7-5
Bryn Mawr	1-6	3-7
Ursinus	0-7	1-10

Mens's Swimming

Team	Conf.	Overall
Gettysburg	6-0	7-1
Swarthmore	5-1	7-3
Dickinson	4-2	9-2
F & M	3-3	3-9
McDaniel	2-4	7-4
Washington	1-5	4-6
Ursinus	0-6	2-8

Wrestling

Team	Conf.	Overall
Ursinus	5-0	15-3
McDaniel	3-2	10-9
Muhlenberg	3-2	11-10
Johns Hopkins	3-2	7-9
Gettysburg	1-4	5-17
W & L	0-5	3-10

Phoenix Senior Tribute

The Phoenix Sports staff would like to congratulate and honor the senior class members of our varsity winter sports teams at McDaniel College. We hope that our recognition serves you well in the future

Good Luck in your future endeavors!

Indoor Track

Ifeanyi Ani
Westminster, MD
(Westminster)

Jen Bruce
Finksburg, MD
(Liberty)

Blair Heinke
Sykesville, MD
(Glenelg)

Melissa Merson
New Windsor, MD
(Francis Scott Key)

Phoenix Senior Tribute

Wrestling

Nick Alevrogiannis
Timonium, MD
(St. Paul's)

Nick Alley
Lothian, MD
(Southern)

Eric Bartczak
Chestnut Hill, MA
(Trin. Pawling)

Bill Bobbitt
Woodstown, NJ
(Woodstown)

Shawn Calhoun
Baltimore, MD
(Archbishop Curley)

Haroun Hebron
Gaithersburg, MD
(Magruder)

Swimming

Kalli Patentas
Toms River, NJ
(Toms River)

Brooke Pierce
Waldorf, Md
(Westlake)

Phoenix Senior Tribute

Women's basketball

Kris Brust
Marriottsville, MD
(Glenelg)

Jen Piccolomini
Shepherdstown, WV
(St. Maria Goretti)

Erin White
Broomall, PA
(Marple-Newtown)

Men's Basketball

Greg Hill
Ijamsville, MD
(Urbana)

Adam Hynes
Mt. Airy, MD
(South Carroll)

Erik Larson
Glen Burnie, MD
(North County)

Jon Pearson
Bethesda, MD
(Walt Whitman)

Green Terror Sports

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Women's basketball having another strong season in 2003

GREG LEDERER
Sports Editor

One year removed from the Centennial Conference championship, the McDaniel College Women's basketball team has continued their strong play in 2003 with a sizzling 17-5 record so far. The team continued their chase for this year's title with a lineup of conference rivals.

Most recently, the Green Terror went on the road to face tough conference rival, Gettysburg College. The game was tight throughout the first half, as Gettysburg went into the intermission with a 34-32 lead, but opened it up in the second half to defeat McDaniel 78-70. The Green Terror were led by senior center Kris Brust who scored 15 points and secured 11 rebounds, while the Bullets were spearheaded by Emily Falkis game high 20 points.

Four days earlier, the team traveled to Carlisle, PA to face the Red Devils of Dickinson College. From the start, the Green Terror defense shutdown the opposition, holding the home team to a slim 28 percent shooting from the floor, in rout to a 62-47 victory. Senior guard Jen Piccolomini scored ten points in the win, the team's 17 of the season.

On February 18th, the team put forth a strong performance against

Ursinus College. Leading by just three points at the half 34-31, the Green Terror outscored the bears by 16 points in the second half to register an 80-61 win. McDaniel went on a 15-0 surge in the second half to secure the victory.

Playing in their last home regular season game, Brust had 13 points, Erin White had 11, and Piccolomini scored 12 in the victory. Sophomore guard Kelly Cramp also contributed 10 points. The victory improved the team's home record to 10-1 for the season.

The team secured a come from behind victory against conference foe, Susquehanna University. Down at the half, the Green Terror fought throughout the second stanza, finally regaining the lead with less than five minutes left.

With momentum on their side, the team held off the crusaders for a 60-52 win. Brust lead the contingent with 18 points while freshman Kristy Costa had 8 rebounds in the victory.

The Green Terror concludes their regular season with away games at Johns Hopkins University and Washington College. From there, the team will prepare to defend their Championship in the Conference tournament.

McDaniel Sports Schedule

Women's B-Ball

@Johns Hopkins University
February 19th
6:00 p.m.

Men's B-Ball

@Johns Hopkins University
February 19th
8:00 p.m.

Wrestling

Centennial Conference Championships
February 22nd

Swimming

@Centennial Conference Championships
February 21-23

Indoor Track

@Susquehanna Invitational #3
February 21st

Green Terror

Does the logo need to go, or does it still have a place in the Phoenix?

Win over Gettysburg leads wreslers into Con. Championships

DINK
Sports Staff

The McDaniel College wrestling team's successful season will be brought to a close this month of February with the Centennial Conference Championships, taking place at on the College campus.

Most recently, the McDaniel wrestlers surmounted Gettysburg 31-15 on February 6. Mario Bracamontes took Gettysburg to a 12-6 lead with a pin in the second period over the Terror sophomore Jake Michael.

The Green Terrors then swept the final six bouts of the evening starting with a win by Shawn Clahoun.

The night was made more memorable by the honoring of the teams five seniors prior to the team's final regular season match.

The team also fared well with their 28-13 win against Johns Hopkins on the 4th of February in which they won six of the final seven bouts.

McDaniel sophomore Dan Patterson pinned Brian Frank of Johns Hopkins' and negated the six-point deficit created by the Green Terror's forfeit in the 125-pound weight class. Bryan Hamper's pin at in the 149-pound bout sparked a Green Terror sweep that included decisions by Shawn Calhoun (157), Bill Bobbitt (165), and Steve Jennings (174), and was capped by Levi McVey 12-4 major

decision over Rob Curry. Drew Reinecker avenged Eric Bartczak's loss to Tony Dambro by squeaking out a 2-1 decision at heavyweight over Karol Gryczynski. With the win, McDaniel moved to 9-9, 2-2 on the season.

Winning approximately half of their matches, the team has also placed well in most of the recent competitions; the team placed second in the annual Builders Invitational held Feb. 1 in Newport News, VA.

The Invitational champs, University of North Carolina-Pembroke, recorded wins in seven weight classes.

McDaniel placed seven wrestlers in the finals. Sophomore Dan Patterson championed the 133lb weight class with a pin, and earned the trophy for Most Falls in the tourney and was named the tournament's Outstanding Wrestler. Davey Blake and Bryan Hamper scored wins in the 141 and 149lb weight classes respectively. Nick Alley (125), Bill Bobbitt (165), Levi McVey (184), and Drew Reinecker (HWT) each earned second place.

With the regular season completed, the team can now focus on the Centennial Conference Championships, held on Saturday February 22th.



Women's b-ball Head Coach Rebecca Martin shouts encouragement to her players



Lingering snow has a lasting effect on the Hill

Snow cancels classes and delays start to spring sports season

KATIE MARTIN
Assistant News Editor

On the evening of Friday February 14th, the video store was packed and the lines in the grocery store were long as the threat of another "major snow event" loomed overhead.

By Monday morning it was clear that the predictions of the National Weather Service were accurate, as the storm dumped a record setting 28.2 inches of snow over the Baltimore/Westminster area.

This added to the snow already on the ground, canceling classes, altering travel plans, and continuing to effect students here on campus.

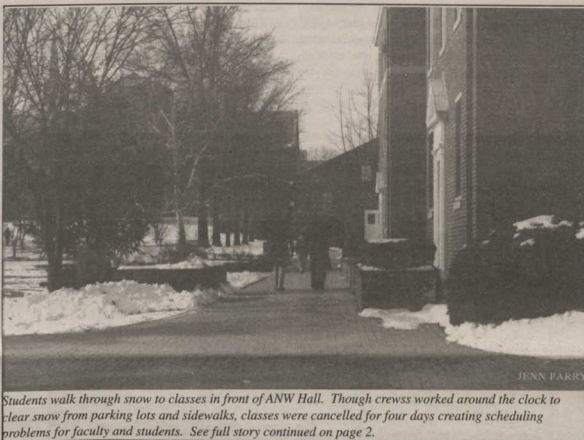
The College was basically shut down for three days, giving students a break from classes and the opportunity to take part in various other activities.

Ben Flaherty said "We climbed this treacherous mound of snow, and with our bare hands we dug a humble abode in which to drink our beer."

Other students took part in more traditional snow day activities such as sledding, snowball fights, and building snowmen.

Some students found themselves stuck at home for the weekend, unable to get back to campus.

Freshman Dani Unflat said "I went home for a big Valentine's Day extravaganza with my boyfriend but then we got stuck in



Students walk through snow to classes in front of ANW Hall. Though crews worked around the clock to clear snow from parking lots and sidewalks, classes were cancelled for four days creating scheduling problems for faculty and students. See full story continued on page 2.

Delaware with 2 feet of snow surrounding us, just having a great old time being away from school and being able to sled and have snowball fights all weekend."

A tour guide showing the campus to a prospective student and their parents in the aftermath of the storm summarized the reaction of most students to snow by saying, "You find when you come to college that activities that were fun

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Another name change?



Alumni Hall will become "Western Maryland College Alumni Hall" during Alumni reunion weekend in May. See full story continued on page 2.

Alumni Hall to get new name this May

Alumni Council and Board of Trustees vote to preserve Western Maryland College name

JAMIN BARTOLOMEO
Staff Writer

This semester, McDaniel College will once again undergo a name change.

On May 2 through 4, 2003, during Alumni Reunion Weekend, the current building known as Alumni Hall will be renamed and rededicated as Western Maryland College Alumni Hall.

The idea to change the name of Alumni Hall sparked from a strong interest to somehow preserve the Western Maryland College name after the school was renamed last summer.

While the College's new name was being debated last year, it was brought to the attention by several alumni through email, and letter that if the College were to be renamed, the school's original name should be retained somewhere.

As a result, the Alumni Council, in conjunction with the Board of Trustees, decided that Alumni Hall, a building full of tradition and history, would be the most appropriate part of campus to instill the memories of the name Western Maryland College.

Alumni Hall, built in 1899, has been a major venue for student and community use. The hall features two stages: a proscenium main stage on the first level which houses musical productions and larger main stage shows, and an under stage. The under stage, also known as the Black Box Theatre, is primarily used for shows of a smaller cast and more private nature.

Throughout the years, the hall has spotlighted many groups such as The National Symphony, The National Players, numerous Carroll County Public Schools perform-

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Israeli founder of New Profile speaks to McDaniel students

LEROY MCDUFFIE
Co-Editor-in-Chief

The founder of "New Profile," a group of Israeli women fighting for activism and against militarism in Israel, gave a lecture this past week in McDaniel Lounge.

The lecture focused on two main topics: Peace activism in Israel and militarism of Israeli society.

The speaker stressed the importance of activism in Israel in an effort to change various policies throughout Israeli society.

The speaker from the activism group explained how the Israeli media ignores the peace activism movement.

The presentation included a slide show showing images of the women's coalition holding demonstrations in various Israeli cities, including Tel-Aviv.

The lecturer also explained the various myths which are associated to the conflict between the Palestinians and Israelis.

According to the lecturer, one

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when you were a little kid, suddenly become fun again, especially in the snow."

So while students had their fun, other departments worked hard to get the campus back up and running as soon as possible.

Food Services Director Brenda Davidson said that even though 6 members of the normal 15-17 person staff were unable to come into work, the cafeteria "didn't miss a beat in hours of operation."

Two food stations were closed on Monday, the Pub was shut down, and regular silverware and glasses were not used because of the lack of dishwashers.

However, Davidson said "we would have slept here if that's what it took" to keep the cafeteria operating.

Some employees did sleep nearby, as arrangements were made for 2 managers and 4 employees to stay at the Best Western, since they could not get home in the snow.

Davidson credited Campus Safety for transporting the employees to and from the College so they could continue to work, along with staff members living in Westminster, to keep the cafeteria running.

In the aftermath of the storm, Campus Safety was also responsible for clearing the parking lots, an arduous task as many cars were only visible as large mounds in the drifting snow.

"We spent several hours trying to identify vehicle owners and get them to move their vehicles," Campus Safety Director Mike Webster said.

Webster also said there were four minor motor vehicle accidents as a result of the storm and at least one reported sledding injury.

Such a large amount of snow is unusual for the Maryland area and many public schools were forced to close the entire week.

The storm skyrocketed the snowfall total for February to 40.5 inches (as recorded at BWI Airport), which according to the National Weather Service, broke the previous record of 33.9 inches set in February 1899.

Since there was such a record-breaking amount of snow, the cleanup here on campus and around the state was slow and extensive.

This was frustrating to watch for out-of-state student Ryan Brod.

"Being from Maine, this is the saddest snow removal system I have ever seen," he said. "Get some damn salt for the roads people."

Many athletes are just as frustrated with all of the wintry weather.

Dr. Carol Fritz, Associate Director of Athletics, said "We haven't been outside for one practice, everybody's stacked up inside trying to practice."

Lacrosse player Mindy Minchhoff commented on this obstacle saying "It's just hard to really get a field sense and do all of our plays because we are crammed into the gym. It's going to be so different to go outside and be spread out."

Fritz commented, "It doesn't look like we are going to be on our fields until after spring break, so [the weather] is playing havoc with our sports schedule right now."

Home games for the men's and women's lacrosse, baseball, and softball teams that were scheduled for the first week of the spring sports season have all been moved away or canceled with the possibility of rescheduling.

This is disappointing to many athletes including baseball Player Kevin Salamone.

"I feel like we are never going to have a game," he said.

The groundhog predicted six more weeks of winter, but who expected February 2003 to be the snowiest month on record for the Baltimore area?

However, students will soon be able to trade their snow boots for sandals, as the official start to spring is less than three weeks away on the 20th of March.

Green and Gold Club raises more than \$45,000 for Green Terror Athletics

KATIE CHAMPION
News Editor

McDaniel College's newest fundraising club has already seen success in its first few months of activation.

The Green and Gold Club, the official booster club for McDaniel College athletics, was launched on January 15, 2003.

The program was created to be an addition to the Annual Fund and support varsity athletics and strengthen winning school traditions.

It hopes to provide student athletes with a competitive edge on the playing field so that Green Terror Athletics can compete at the highest level possible.

Green and Gold Club director Lee Primm is excited about the future of the program.

We are a society that enjoys athletic activities, said Primm, a retired BB&T banker who has been involved in fundraising for 28 years.

Spectators will see the benefits of this program in the gyms and on the fields.

"This is a program that is not only for the benefit of those who participate but an advancement to the athletic program," he said.

Athletic director Jamie Smith who has been at the college 4 years looks forward to seeing the green and Gold Program mature and have more people become interested.

"Not only is the financial support great, this [program] is a good way for alumni who played on the teams to stay connected to the college," Smith said.

McDaniel joins other local colleges in the athletic based giving program.

Virtually every other college in the Centennial Conference have programs like this in place, according to Primm.

"Gettysburg has the Orange and Blue fund, Dickinson has the McAndrews program and Hopkins has Blue Jays Unlimited," Primm said.

A donation of \$25 or more is required for membership to the Green and Gold club.

So far, the program has raised more than \$45,000. The general athletics fund and the baseball team have benefited the most so far.

Baseball is ahead because coach Seibert got a head start with his mailings, Primm said.

The program expects to see a wider variety of sports gaining from the funding.

We hope that people will continue to give each year in addition to the Annual Fund, Primm said.

Correction:
In the February 19 edition, *The Phoenix* misspelled Jenn Parry's name in the News section photo credits. The News staff regrets this error.

Alumni Hall to be rededicated as Western Maryland College Alumni Hall

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mance groups, and today is the home of the McDaniel College Theatre Department.

Overall, the name change will be another landmark in the history of the College.

All students are welcome to celebrate in the rededication of the building during Alumni Weekend. Watch for more details in the next issue of *The Hill* magazine.

Until then, all members of the McDaniel community are encouraged to submit any photographs capturing fond memories of Alumni Hall to the Office of Communications at pio@mcDaniel.edu. Photographs can also be sent directly to the office through campus mail.

Guest speaker visits McDaniel College

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myth is that things are the way there is having no control over the situation. The second half of the speech given by the lecturer explains the overwhelming use of militarism in Israeli culture.

The definition of militarism according to the lecturer is the main organizing principle according to which Israeli society moves, acts, and defines its borders.

The army is a strong symbol in Israeli culture and glorifies the army itself. Many cultural events are dedicated to the army.

Israeli civic society is run by retired army officers according to the guest speaker. National security is paramount in Israel due to the terrorism in the country.

New Profile is a group that promotes activism and examines the gray area of Israeli problems.

Go to <http://www.NewProfile.org/English> for more information.

Residence Life to charge fee for air conditioner units installed in residence halls

AC now stands for additional charge

KATIE MARTIN
Assistant News Editor

In order to turn up the air conditioner next August, the Department of Resident Life is now requiring McDaniel students to turn in an additional charge of \$50.

On page 2 of the 2003-04 McDaniel College Room Selection Information, The new guideline reads "Students with permission to have an air conditioner will be assessed a \$50 per year fee to offset the cost of additional electrical usage."

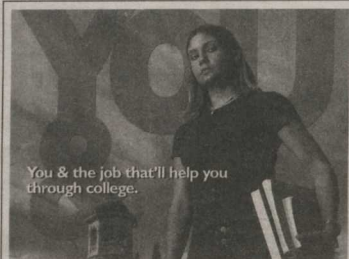
Liz Towle, Dean of Student Affairs, justified the decision to add the fee, saying "Students are using more electricity when they put a window unit in their room, so there is an increase cost as compared to other students, therefore the college's budget committee made the decision to add the \$50 fee."

However, students living in the few rooms on campus that are required by the college to have air conditioners installed will not be charged.

Dean Towle explained "It is not their choice to have the air conditioner, even though they benefit from it." Only students who choose to have window units because of medical reasons will be charged, not those that have college installed units for facilities reasons.

According to Dean Towle, the money collected from the additional fee will most likely go to the college's general fund.

Be sure to read the 2003-2004 McDaniel College Room Selection Information for more information about this guideline and others related to housing for next year.



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Campus Safety News

February 12- 26, 2003

COMPILED BY KATIE CHAMPION
News Editor

2/12/03: 7 p.m., Roommate conflict in Whiteford Hall with personal property missing. Residence Life will handle.

2/13/03: 10:30 p.m., Unknown suspect attempted to gain access to lab in Levine Hall through window. Nothing appeared to be disturbed.

2/13/03: Student documented for quiet hours violation, fire code violation and failure to comply in Garden Apartments.

2/14/03: 3:58 a.m., Unknown suspect walked into student's room in Whiteford Hall.

2/14/03: 9:28 p.m., Non-student stopped for trespassing and arrested for being disorderly in Harrison parking lot.

2/15/03: 12:57 a.m., DoCS received report of four non-student males in Blanche Ward Hall asking where they could find drugs. Three males were confronted and given trespassing warnings. Fourth subject ran off campus.

2/16/03: 5:48 a.m., Non-student documented for underage possession of alcohol in Rouzer Hall. Subject was given a trespassing notice.

2/17/03: 4 p.m., Unknown suspect(s) threw beer bottle and broke window in Blanche Ward Hall.

2/17/03: 10:59 p.m., Students documented for underage possession of alcohol, possession of alcohol in a dry dorm, possession of hard alcohol, and playing drinking games in Rouzer Hall.

2/17/03: 11:41 p.m., DoCS responded to check on welfare call in Whiteford Hall. Services were rendered.

2/18/03: 12:33 a.m., Student arrested for possession of marijuana in Whiteford Hall.

2/18/03: 3:23 a.m., Soda machine broken into on first floor of Blanche Ward Hall.

2/18/03: 3:38 a.m., Student documented for underage possession of alcohol, possession of alcohol in a dry dorm, and a quiet hours violation in Rouzer Hall.

2/18/03: 3:50 a.m., Student documented for underage possession of alcohol and possession of alcohol in a dry dorm (Rouzer Hall).

2/18/03: 4:55 a.m., Students documented for underage possession of alcohol and possession of alcohol in a dry dorm, possession of hard alcohol, noise violation, and fire code violation in Whiteford Hall.

2/18/03: 9 a.m., Fire extinguisher reported discharged and missing from the basement of Gill Learning Center. DoCS responded and

did not find the discharged extinguisher and replaced with new one. Extinguisher later found by staff and returned to DoCS office.

2/18/03: 7 p.m., Non-student's vehicle hit an employee's vehicle in the Rouzer Hall parking lot. Non-student was identified and told to come to the DoCS office but instead left campus. No damage appeared to be done to the employee's vehicle.

2/18/03: 7:10 p.m., RLC observed underage subject with alcohol in Gunn Plaza.

2/18/03: 8:21 p.m., A snowball was thrown through the second floor bathroom window of Blanche Ward Hall. Glass from the window cut one student.

2/18/03: 8:44 p.m., resident of Rouzer Hall cited for noise violation and underage possession of alcohol in a dry dorm.

2/19/03: 12:59 a.m., Soda machine in Blanche Ward Hall was broken into and vandalized.

2/19/03: 1:23 p.m., Motor vehicle accident occurred at McDaniel Lane and W. Main street.

2/20/03: Hit and run accident occurred on Historic drive behind Blanche Ward Hall.

2/20/03: 12:01 a.m., Parked vehicle was struck in Whiteford parking lot. Minor damage was reported. No known suspects in this case.

2/20/03: 6 a.m., Hit and run accident to employee's vehicle occurred on Historic Drive. Westminster Police wrote report. Pictures taken.

2/21/03: 10:28 p.m., Employee notified DoCS of someone needing medical attention. Non-student juvenile found intoxicated after falling down steps in Decker Center. He was transported to Carroll County General Hospital and given a state citation and trespassing warning.

2/22/03: 2:49 a.m., Student documented for underage possession of alcohol in Rouzer Hall.

2/22/03: 6:20 p.m., Student was disorderly in Englar Dining Hall. Observed throwing food and being disrespectful to Dining Hall Supervisors. Student gone on DoCS arrival however, two students confirmed subject's name. Documented for actions.

2/22/03: 10:10 p.m., Two juveniles under the influence of alcohol were confronted in Whiteford Hall for their reason for being on campus. They stated that they were visiting someone. They were taken to DoCS and given juvenile citations.

Subject that provided alcohol, also a non-student, was given a citation for contributing to a minor.

2/23/03: 12:10 a.m., Non-student observed in underage possession of alcohol in Blanche Ward Hall. Subject asked to leave campus.

2/23/03: 12:30 a.m., Student in Blanche Ward Hall parking lot failed to comply with judicial restrictions.

2/23/03: 2:52 a.m., Student documented for non-compliance and quiet hours violation in Blanche Ward Hall.

2/24/03: 9:58 a.m., Housekeeping personnel spilled bucket of water on second floor in McDaniel Hall. Water went down standpipe to basement into McDaniel Lounge and into wiring for fire alarm system and caused alarm to sound.

2/24/03: 12:24 p.m., Student reported to the rear third floor hallway in Blanche Ward Hall.

2/26/03: 12:01 a.m., Vandalism reported to the rear third floor hallway of Blanche Ward Hall. Pancake syrup was poured at doorways to rooms on the hallway. There are no known suspects in this case.

2/26/03: 12:19 a.m., Complainant advised possibility that inappropriate computer images of a student were being posted around campus.

English Department hires two new lecturers to begin teaching in Fall 2003

NICOLE GRIMM
Staff Writer

After a long interviewing process, the English Department announced two fresh faces will join the staff in the fall of 2003.

Dr. Kathryn Dobson and Julia Jasken were hand-picked by the English Department and are more than qualified to teach their designated courses.

Dobson will teach the Advanced Composition class and Jasken will teach Professional Communication.

Currently an English professor at the University of Maryland at College Park, Dobson earned her B.S. in English and Mathematics at Vanderbilt University in Nashville, and her M.A. and Ph.D. at the University of Maryland at College Park.

According to Dobson, it was both good timing and good fortune that allowed her to get the job here at McDaniel.

"Usually, professors have to move across the country when be-

ginning a new job. I account myself extremely fortunate to have found the best job in what I regard the best possible places to live," Dobson stated.

Aside from teaching English language and literature, Dobson has a specific focus on rhetoric. "I am especially interested in the rhetoric of history and biography, but I have studied many other nonfiction discourses, including the law," Dobson said.

One day, she hopes to teach a course in writing for pre-law students.

Though born in Florida, Dobson has lived in Maryland for several years and is familiar with McDaniel College and its reputation. To her, this is the best job.

"McDaniel College cares about students and places a high value on teaching and so do I," she said.

Jasken is currently completing her Ph.D. at Michigan Technological University in Houghton, Michigan, where she is no stranger to snow storms. Jasken described her research as focused on how communications through digital

sources such as the World Wide Web affect our public and private lives.

In addition to teaching the Professional Communication course here at McDaniel, Jasken, in conjunction with Dobson and the English Department, looks forward to developing new courses for the writing track. Possible courses include an introduction to web writing, editing and publications management, and advanced professional communication.

As an undergraduate from a small, private college, Jasken is familiar with the benefits of attending a school, such as the opportunity for close student and faculty relationships.

"For me, the best part about teaching is really getting to know the students and helping them get the most out of their college experience. McDaniel College just seemed like the perfect place for doing that," Jasken explained.

As the fall semester of 2003 draws near, both faculty and students look forward to welcoming these two new professors into the McDaniel College family.

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Further comments on increasingly heated war debate

Last issue, I posed the question "Why War?" as I tried to explain my stance on a possible war with Iraq. The critiques and comments of that commentary have been mixed. Some said I had beautifully captured their own feelings and had accurately described what was going on, while others called me bias, misinformed, and too far to the left on the political ideology spectrum.

First, everyone is entitled to his or her own opinion. If you have one that differs from mine, spend a few minutes reflecting on it and then write up your own commentary. There is nothing worse than people who complain but do not take further steps to make their opinions known.

Secondly, my war-related commentaries are based on research and analysis of pre-war news coverage, including newspapers, TV news broadcasts, and online articles. Most of what was written in last issue's commentary was based on facts and other's opinions contained in the various news coverage. Admittedly, some of my own sentiment was there, but that is the point of a commentary.

I would have no problem writing a commentary that favored war with Iraq if my heart, brain, and gut told me there was just cause for this war.

For the first time in a really long time, the media around the world made anti-war protests a leading story. On February 15, 2003, nearly 60 cities around the world were the locations for many protests. These cities included Melbourne, Paris, London, New York, and Tokyo. In each city anywhere from 50,000 to a couple hundred thousand

people showed up to protest and hear remarks from speakers.

In London, the wittiest sign had the phrase "Make tea, not war." Other such phrases were "Don't attack Iraq," "Osama Bin Forgotten?" and "War on Terror is an Error."

President Bush went on about his day as though it was not his and he could care less if it was.

And on Sunday, San Francisco held its peace rally a day later in order to avoid interrupting Saturday's Chinese New Year celebrations. Susan Sarandon and Danny Glover were among the event's speakers, while writer Alice Walker and singers Joan Baez and Bonnie Raitt were in the audience.

Unsurprisingly, George W. Bush was not at this rally either. If he is so for this war, he needs to pretend he's campaigning once again and make his rounds to gathering such as this. He needs to show that he can adequately represent his constituents.

Why hasn't he met with Pope John Paul II to try to find another solution, like British Prime Minister Tony Blair did recently?

Why hasn't he met with concerned students worried that war is not the right way to disarm Iraq, like Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien did a week ago?

Why hasn't Bush attended a summit with 52 African countries to be open-minded to

the fact there is an alternative to war, like French President Jacques Chirac did in mid-February.

A statement released from the summit said, "This is an alternative to war. The use of force, which entails serious risks of destabilization for the region, for Africa and the world, should only be the last resort."

I commend Chirac and the French for its steadfastness to obtain a majority in the 15-member Security Council to block U.S. and British efforts to pass a new resolution, which would later be used as an endorsement for war.

In the currently playing documentary "Bowling for Columbine," Michael Moore makes a statement about fear. Fear is a part of the American culture and it is engrained in our mentality beginning in childhood.

Americans fear just about everything: the fear of failure, the fear of poverty, the fear of flying, the fear of old age, the fear of dying, the fear of terrorists, and yes even the fear of AIDS and other diseases.

We live in a society so mesmerized, obsessed, and distracted by fear that it has become a profitable material to sell on the market.

Right now, Bush and the American government have made it their mission to make America fear Iraq. I don't deny the fact that

Saddam Hussein has committed acts that are worthy of a conflict situation. Nor do I deny that he would use biological and chemical warfare or launch weapons of mass destruction when the time called for it. So would Bush.

But because George Bush made devastating mistakes during his dealings with Hussein during the Gulf War, the fear has escalated to its current status and now this in order to obliterate this fear, we must rid Saddam Hussein of those things we fear the most.

So then what? After Iraq and its current government are destroyed do we send an American there to be its new leader and to lead the Americanization of this Middle East country. My money is on Jeb Bush being the new Iraqi leader and pretty soon the U.S. and other parts of the world for that matter, will be a Bush family owned and operated empire. Think I am kidding?

Our fear is so institutionalized that until we control that which scares us the most, there is no escaping this fear.

In Bush's pursuit to fight the war on terrorism and the war on Iraq, where does that leave us in the war on AIDS, the war on poverty, and the war on education/schools that fail to meet the standards? Quite simply: off the agenda. Because before we can fight these wars, we need to destroy that which we fear the most and that which is the subsequent catalyst in all our other wars.

-Staci George is a senior communication major.

Not against the soldiers, but a tribute to their endeavors

When my grandfather knew that he was going to die, he revealed some of his experiences to his daughter, my aunt. As the orphaned son of Italian immigrants, he'd gone through more difficult times by age fifteen than most of us will go through in our lifetimes.

There's this amazing picture of him that my dad has. My grandfather is standing in a three-piece suit with a pocket watch, proudly beside his first car.

And there is, of course, the family story about him doing some painting or such work in Philadelphia for a man who gave him a nickel to take the trolley to fetch supplies. My grandfather didn't take the trolley; instead he pocketed the nickel and ran many city blocks so that he could use the money for a meal that evening.

Twenty years later, he was able to own a brand new car and a three-piece suit, complete with gold pocket watch.

He never talked about anything. He rarely expressed an opinion on anything. He never discussed politics, but it's hard for me to understand why a man that could swim from the California coast to Catalina Island and back while bleeding for the health of it and uncaen by sharks, is rather difficult.

Part of the reason that my grandfather had difficulty discussing his life is that it involved the trauma of warfare.

All that I knew of it was that he had served in the second world war. Only before he was sure that he was going to die, in a bed with a failing heart, did he ever think to reveal a few glimpses of the war to my aunt. They were coherent but jumbled im-

ages of blackness and confusion. On guard, an animal or something scared him at night in the darkness. He thought it was a Nazi. He thought he was going to die, but he never mentioned it until he was ready to die.

The burial service was simply beautiful. I was very proud that he had served America when that flag was handed to my grandmother.

I know if he'd have served in any war—

even Vietnam—I would still have been proud.

I think a lot of people just don't understand how it is for a lot of us peace activists: this is not a protest against having an effective

military. We are not trying to paralyze soldiers like my grandfather was from doing their jobs.

We have loved ones who served, and are serving. It is very difficult to find an American who doesn't at least know stories of one of their own family members that has served.

I hope that I have the courage to turn around and tell my grandfather's story next time I am in a diner and an officer interrupts my rant on the ideology of our president to explain a few things.

I hope that I can tell these stories to people that will or would never fight, or to comfort people that will have to.

I do respect that I can say what I want and believe as I will because others have defended my freedom to do so. Why do some assume that I refuse to recognize that?

I have nothing against our average soldier. I am not trying to threaten American values or American defense, but rather remind us that it is supposed to be defense,

not an imperial army.

I am growing rather tired of the assumptions on both side of the war debate. One should not assume that all soldiers support this war, but instead that all soldiers are willing to protect their country as ordered. It is the citizens and residents who have a duty and moral obligation which is protected by the soldiers to dissent when necessary and voice an opinion or use a vote.

If you disagree, you have to say so. You have to show your numbers. Show members of our armed forces not that you dislike them, but that you have a strong desire to see them used in a manner that will more positively benefit the outcome of the world,

our country, and our families.

I will not be told that I know nothing of war. I have the image of a certain sergeant I once knew, literally shaking in his boots, fearing a Nazi empire.

And would he have died that night, he would have died honorably, defending America.

Had he died on an oil field defending it as an American "interest" (the latest euphemism for "profit"), I would still respect him as a man, grandparent, and soldier. But he would be a victim, fighting for the empire.

-Tara DellaFranza is a senior English major.



3.... Not War!!

JESSICA WATSON

Danger present in use of ephedra

Yet another athlete has died using a performance-enhancing drug in pursuit of athletic excellence.

Baltimore Orioles pitching prospect Steve Bechler died on February 17 after suffering a heart stroke during a spring training workout. It was revealed that

Bechler was taking Xenadrine RFA-1, a weight-loss supplement containing ephedrine.

Ephedrine is a stimulant that speeds up the central nervous system, which increases blood pressure and heart rate.

Bechler, 6'2" and 249 pounds, was ten pounds over his playing weight at the end of last season and apparently used Xenadrine to help him lose weight. This death comes

after those of Minnesota Vikings offensive tackle Korey Stringer and Northwestern cornerback Rashidi Wheeler during the summer of 2001.

These three athletes were trying to improve their respective performances in hope of receiving a multi-million dollar contract, some of which seem to exceed the G.D.P. of some third world countries.

However, they failed to consider the consequences of their actions.

Ephedra raises the body temperature, but constricts blood vessels, which disable the body's ability to cool off. Is being more energetic on the athletic field worth dying for? The NFL, NCAA, and

the IOC have all banned ephedra-based products.

The NHL, MLB, NBA, and all other sports leagues should immediately follow suit.

However, bans won't do any good without the players understanding the consequences of this dangerous drug.

All sports leagues should have seminars about ephedra prior to their seasons.

Maybe then athletes will understand the consequences of taking this drug. Hopefully another athlete won't have to die for other athletes to understand how dangerous this drug is.

-Matt Jackson is a freshman history major.

Reflections from a special journey

Everyone has their own unique way of capturing an event or experience that has somehow changed their life, whether it through poetry, songwriting, drawing, journaling, scrapbooking, or writing. Mine is writing; I would like to share some of my experiences from a previous Jan-term trip.

First though, I would like to express my gratitude to Charlie Collier and Pam Zappardino, co-directors of The Ira and Mary Zepp Center for Nonviolence and Peace Education in residence at McDaniel College. I first met them when I enrolled in their Jan-term class on nonviolence and social movements. Over the course of three years, the status of professor changed to what I consider a close friend—but on a professional level.

I thank them for the inspiration and encouragement they have given me over the years.

So I was ecstatic when I bumped into them at Safeway and they said they were still looking for people to be a part of a Civil Rights History tour they would be joining January 15 through the 19th.

Bright and early that Wednesday morning, Charlie, Pam, Mahlia Joyce (a non-traditional student at McDaniel) and I were on our way to BWI for a flight that would take us to the Nashville International airport, where we'd meet up with the rest of our tour group. There'd be 21 of us in the DDK Tours group, which is based in Decatur, Georgia and run by Charles Alphin, Sr. and his son Charles "Chuck" Alphin, Jr.

I was the epitome of the stereotypical tourist; however, I wasn't going for the tourist look. I was trying to make a video that would eventually be turned into a news story for my resume tape. And the camera was for the scrapbook I am doing.

Oh how I wish I could let the video roll on this page and have you see what I saw and try to feel what I felt.

You'd see my scanning around

the room at the Highlander Folk Center in New Market, Tennessee as we sat in rocking chairs singing songs from the Civil Rights Movement and other such movements. As I sat there, I could feel the energy left there by people such as Martin Luther King, Rosa Parks, and Fanny Lou Hammer, who had taught or attended classes at the school. The tape's audio would let you hear the stories told by Guy and Candie Carawan, who run the school today.

I had learned about Highlander in classes, but it was not until I was sitting there listening to stories and hearing the music that I had sensed the true significance of it—what it meant then and still means to so many people who work so hard in their pursuits of social change.

With videocamera in hand, I captured the beautiful horizon at sunset. I could almost hear voices whispering songs of years gone by through the hills. My eyes saw serenity, but my ears could hear so much more!

The video would also let you see all the amazing people on this trip. Our group had such a blend of professions: students, professors, artists, musicians, clergy, collegiate staff members, to name a few. We had left our daily routine and endless "to do" lists behind in pursuit of learning and making history and being social activists in our own way.

At various times, we held debriefing sessions to talk about the day's events. At one time, we all made promises of what we would do in the pursuit of social activism. I had thought about this a lot—I am going into a profession where bold headlines and sensational news stories sell. Objectivity gets lost in a blizzard of bias and "off the record" becomes the phrase you dread the most.

So after rehearsing my speech in my head, I promised that for every war-related news story of commentary I am assigned to report on, I would write five pro-peace sto-

ries. I also vowed to cover other social change initiatives, like local stories about PTOs protesting a rise in school taxes or a minority group expressing the want for their rights.

Austin Kemp, an eight-year-old accompanied by his mother, was a delight to have along on the trip. He let us watch his "Martin and Me" movie on the bus after a day spent at the 2003 King Holiday Observance in Atlanta Georgia. There was always a group singing. He created this game where one by one, a person gets to make up their own song. Let me tell you, this boy has talent. He came up with a song about those people involved in social movements like the Civil Rights whose name no one knows. As the history books get written, the same people are credited with significant contributions, like King, Rosa Parks, and Fanny Lou Hammer. But then there are those people who despite their hard work and participation in the movement, the journalists, historians, and writers overlook and so these people never become part of the legacy printed in a history book.

There are so many moments that inspired me and made me open my eyes while new thoughts rushed through my head. At the Historic Ebenezer Baptist Church, Mrs. Coretta Scott King made some powerful remarks moments after Peter Yarrow of Peter, Paul, and Mary urged audience members to sing along to "We Shall Overcome" and avoided at costs singing the song he is most known for "Puff the Magic Dragon."

In closing, I would like to reiterate my thanks to Pam and Charlie. The trip not only allowed me to learn what the history books cannot teach, but opened my eyes about the journalism career I am venturing into. I love writing and expressing that which is going on in my head and heart, but I realize that there are powers that be who will decide what gets printed or broadcasted. Ratings and circulation figures dominate the market. Let's start a program for this social change.

-Staci George is a senior communication major.

Poetry Corner

Hat Tricks

For Julie Sager
by Michael Wiles

I used to do great hat tricks:

A slight of hand,

And a bow to the waiting audience.

I used to be able to disappear into a cloud of smoke,

And it was always better that way,

Since I was so gone that fading into the distance,

Was hardly a trick at all,

And no one even thought to notice after a while.

But then I met this girl,

And everything changed.

For the first time,

My presence really mattered,

And someone was finally seeing me for myself:

Someone was finally there to notice how lost I was,

And to welcome me home,

With open and loving arms.

I've since given up my hat tricks,

My slight of hand,

And my regard for the waiting audience,

Since all I ever really wanted was to live,

And to find her at long last.

-Michael Wiles is a senior English major and a regular contributor to 79*Words*Per*Minute at <http://www.thepaperbackwriter.com/79wpm>

Corn Curls

by Lisa Moore

She sat

Perched upon a black three legged stool

Her brown hair falling upon her face, the blond wispy

highlights

Crowning her face like a halo.

The white shorts, waist tied in uncanny hilarity,

Stained orange

printed in the pile of cheese curls

nestled in her lap.

With deliberateness, she reached down and grabbed not one...

But the largest amount her tiny bird claws could manage.

Raising the blizzard of orange to her mouth,

She pulls a curl one by one with her lips

from the white tangle—

Like a mother bird taking apart her nest, one twig at a time.

Finally after the ceremony of orange has ceased

She lifted her head

Grinned like a Jack O' Lantern

Orange like peach fuzz covered her cheeks and dimpling in the light.

-Lisa Moore is a sophomore music education major.

Got poetry? Next issue's theme is: short poems and haiku. Submit poetry to the commentary editor via the Phoenix box at the information desk, or call Tara at x8033 for further details.

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Defending campus Greeks

As longtime readers of my work know, I like to get all disjointed over trivial things, such as television programming.

Often, my anger is drawn by something seen on MTV (if, remember when they actually showed music videos? Yeah, I thought not), and how this "cultural barometer" of sorts has their target audience all wrong and horribly mis-portrayed (at least I would like to think so. Anyone remember what happened last time I went down this road?).

Lately, a new type of assault has been fired at a portion of our generation attending college, and this time, MTV might just be right.

But I still somehow doubt it. I am talking about the new season of *Sorority Life* on the horizon and the series debut of its "brother program," *Fraternity Life*.

While I must admit, as I often must, that I found the concept behind *Sorority Life* incredibly funny (at least abstractly) last season, after watching an episode or two, I began to see the problem that would, and has, arose from the series.

Without wasting much time, *Sorority Life* confirmed what most people think they know about sororities, as well as fraternities, in general: such organizations are nothing more than collectives of loud, drunk kids with loose morals celebrating their unity and freedom with their "bought" friends. Sound about right?

Well, if MTV and these "real life" Greek organizations are to be believed, perhaps so. Granted, these are indeed real Greeks at real schools we are seeing, but do they truly represent what Greek life on EVERY campus offers, and, what is more, do they really convey what ALL Greeks are like?

Despite what you may believe, I would like to offer you the truth: no. Now, I am sure you are all sick of Greeks on this campus defending their right to exist as I am, but, with these sorts of images being broadcast about us, it is clear that more defense is needed.

This, in itself, is sad, since no one, regardless of their lifestyle choice, should have to justify themselves this much.

But, such is life. And yes, I do mean "us,"

since I am a brother of our school's chapter of Phi Kappa Sigma (in case you didn't already know, and honestly, why would you? You don't care about me!).

Anyway, as I have said before, I was probably the last person who would ever have considered joining a fraternity when I came to Western Maryland College back in the fall of 1999, and yet here I am.

"My brothers and I do not push each other to drink and be morons, but rather to succeed and thrive..."

What changed? Nothing really, except my perception of what fraternity life really is. Beyond all the false stereotypes created by rouse organizations (such as those now showing on MTV), I found Greek life on this campus to be a supportive experience; not just socially, but academically and personally as well.

My brothers and I do not push each other to drink and be morons, but rather to succeed and thrive in the ways that, as the individuals we are, decide for ourselves.

What is more, I have found that, regardless of our respective organizations, Greeks on this campus tend to co-exist quite well, not spending our time sabotaging each other as the yahoos on television would have society believe.

The bottom line? Don't believe everything you see on television, and don't allow yourself to be the victim of the hype found there.

Greeks, like any other group of people, should be allowed to prove themselves and succeed, or fail, on their own merits.

After all, if I want to get drunk and break stuff, that's my decision, right? Isn't that how this country works?

-Michael Wiles is a senior English major.

A look at creativity's benefits

It's another commentary written after two a.m. Another waste of time. Another time slot during which I could be doing something more useful like homework, or practicing for my senior recital, or even getting an actual eight hours of sleep. Instead of the more practical options, I choose to write.

The thing about writing, for me, is that it is entirely therapeutic. Give me a research paper, an article, a poem, or a song; there is little difference.

If I am required to do it, all the better. I mean, some people play sports. Some people play the guitar. Some play videos, or chess. Some people just play with themselves.

Whatever it is you're doing, the pleasurable creativity involved is your potential therapy.

Why stay up until two a.m. writing? So that tomorrow I'll be able to care about human biology when I normally wouldn't be able to pay attention.

We really lose something when we go to college: recess. Breaks. Allotted free time in our schedule.

"...the pleasurable creativity involved is your potential therapy."

Yes, we procrastinate, sit around, and eat snacks, but when was the last time you took a good mental dump?

When was the last time you temporarily shoved aside all of the academic diarrhea and world political affairs saturating your brain to do something that you enjoyed?

Life's too short to not do what you want to do. If you concentrate on something fun, the serious stuff doesn't always seem so serious later.

-Tara DellaFranzia is a senior English major.

Following sister's footstep, found her own!

The last thing I needed was another stereotype to define the person that I am. As spring semester began, I noticed the pink and black posters around campus informing students that sorority recruitment was about to begin.

I could just imagine it now, "sorority girl"

I have already been labeled so many other names, including my all time favorite—blondie.

As the masses of students with Greek lettered sweatshirts passed by in the halls, the image of my sister flashed through my mind. As a three-year member of a sorority in another college, I was beginning to feel the pressure settle upon my shoulders.

Then I got the phone call. "Guess what time it is?" she exclaimed. "RUSH!"

And so it began. I decided to attend the first round of sorority rush. I prepared myself for hoards of laughing girls and "hello my name is" tags to wear.

Feeling like it was first-year orientation all over again with the sickening amount of icebreaker activities and chatting to people I didn't even know, I started to experience the same feeling of anticipation I felt before high school lacrosse tryouts.

This was different than any sport though; it was a tryout of whether or not these select groups of women approved of your character.

As then tension grew, I remembered that I was a legacy to

my sister. Being that she was involved in one of the same sororities that I was trying out for, I was more likely to receive membership. I was not very happy when the idea of automatic acceptance though and tried to steer clear of chatting about my sister's sorority.

But the topic of my sister arose anyway like an ugly pimple I wanted to hide and I began to second-guess my decision

to rush in the first place.

Slowly though, I began to notice myself starting to embrace one of the sororities—ironically enough, a different one than the one my sister was involved in. I realized that it wasn't just giggly girls and nametags, but really caring people that were involved in the community—the kind of people I look up to and strive to imitate.

The sorority I originally thought I was a shoe-in for did not invite me back to the final round—I felt relieved. I could choose the one I wanted without feeling guilty about letting my sister down for not choosing the one she was a member of.

I received a bid from the sorority of my choice and it is history from there. Here comes the cliché, but yes, I feel like these are lifetime friends. We giggle, true, I wore nametags many times, indeed, and now I have Greek lettered sweatshirts. But I am not a stereotype; I feel I am an individual in a very unique group of women. My sister is simply ecstatic over my brave decision, and it feels nice to make my own footprints instead of following in her's.

-Laura Peterson is a freshman English major.

Getting A World View at the International Dinner

STACI GEORGE

Assistant Commentary Editor

No one went away hungry, unentertained, or uneducated about other cultures at the International Dinner held Sunday, March 3.

The International Club had originally planned the event for Sunday, February 16 but the record amount of snow postponed the event, which has been going on for 30 plus years.

Seniors Kristina Cheek and Ifeanyi Ani co-hosted the night's event.

During opening remarks, they promised the dinner guests—a mixture of about 130 McDaniel students, faculty, and community members—an array of activities, including a fashion show, Ethio-



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pian dance, singing, poetry reading, and a Nigerian skit.

With the night's theme being "Culture Digest," it had a lot to live

very good—very diverse, from sweet to spicy," said senior Nadja

Werner about the various dishes she selected to eat.

Ramphal, an Ethiopian dance performed by freshmen Hanah

On both ends of the Forum, long tables held a wide array of vegetarian and non-vegetarian dishes that students in the International Club had cooked.

These were traditional recipes from their home countries, including France, Nepal, Ethiopia, Ukraine, and Greece.

Italian lasagna, Chinese sticky rice with pork, Greek salad, and a South Eastern version of barbeque chicken were among the multitude of dishes to choose from.

"I thought it was

Junior Ina Puleri, president of the International Club, said that putting this event on was a lot of hard work, especially when everything had to be replanned on account of the snow.

Some had already prepared their dishes on Saturday before it was postponed and had to do it all again two weeks later.

As Puleri asked random people about the

dishes, she heard no complaints.

After dinner, several International Club students took part in the fashion show modeling a variety of clothes from around the world, including a typical woman's dress from China, the "kirta" from India, and African skirts with prints unique to a particular country.

The night's festivities continued with poetry reading by senior Mohindra

Seyoum and Melat Garedeu, and a four-person Nigerian skit. Ani, who played the King and father of two, said he made up the skit to fit different themes, incorporate love, and include human feelings.

In their closing remarks, Cheek and Ani thanked the guests for coming, the students for cooking, and Bill Spence, advisor of the International Club, for his help in planning the event.

Like other International Club members and dinner guests, senior Yolanda Hill had a wonderful time.

Summing up the event, she said it was a night of "Great food, great fun, and great people."



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Cafe style coffee now in the comfort of home

MICHAEL VYSKOCIL

Staff Writer

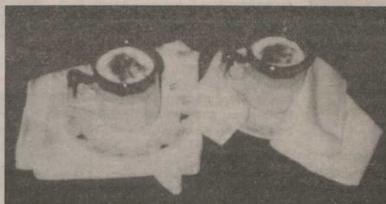
Imagine walking into your neighborhood coffeehouse. The aroma of roasted coffee beans, the hiss of steamed milk from the espresso machine, and the clink of mugs greet you as you walk through the door. It's certainly the place to go for specialty coffees like café latte, cappuccino and espresso.

But you don't have to visit your local java joint to enjoy your favorite brew. In fact, you can make those fancy coffees right in your own kitchen (or room) without all of those hissing machines—or any other special equipment. All you need is a simple drip coffemaker and a little ingenuity.

Most specialty coffees start with a base of espresso. To make espresso, it's important to start with a high-quality coffee roast. Both French and espresso roasts are excellent choices, since the resulting coffee will be strong. You can buy whole beans at the supermarket and grind them yourself in a coffee grinder, or you can have them ground when you purchase them.

In a regular drip coffemaker,

add 1/3 cup of ground beans for every 1 cup of cold water. Brew the coffee according to the manufacturer's instructions. Once brewed, you can then use the espresso to make a specialty coffee (see variations below; all of the recipes will yield about 4 servings).



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If you prefer plain espresso, simply pour the coffee into small cups (for regular coffee mugs, fill them only about 1/2 full). Serve with sugar cubes.

Cappuccino is espresso topped with a fluffy head of frothed milk. To make cappuccino, prepare a pot of espresso (as directed above). Heat 1 cup of milk in a microwave on high for 2 to 3 minutes until hot;

do not boil the milk. Pour the milk into a lidded, heat-resistant container. Apply the lid to the container and shake vigorously until the milk is foamy (alternatively, whisk the milk in a bowl until the milk becomes frothy). For each serving, pour the espresso into the

coffee cups. Top each cup with a generous amount of the frothed milk. You can even sprinkle the top with ground cinnamon or shavings of chocolate, if desired.

Café latte mixes a small amount of espresso with hot steamed milk. To make café latte, brew a pot of espresso (directions above). Heat 2 cups of milk in a microwave on high for 2 to 3 minutes until hot;

do not boil the milk. For each serving, mix together a cup of espresso and a cup of hot steaming milk. Pour the mixture into each coffee cup and serve plain or top with a head of frothed milk (see directions above for making frothed milk).

If espresso isn't your favorite type of coffee, you can make a delicious dessert coffee with almost any type of roast available in supermarkets. Prepare coffee as directed by the manufacturer's instructions for your coffemaker. With a wire whisk, whip a cup of heavy cream with 1 tablespoon of vanilla extract in a small mixing bowl until the cream forms soft peaks. For each serving, pour the coffee into the coffee cups, and add a generous dollop of whipped cream to the top. You can garnish the top with a sprinkling of shaved chocolate, if desired.

So instead of heading out to enjoy a cup of coffee, why not stay in and turn your kitchen or room into a one-stop coffeehouse for you and your friends. Virtual Coffee magazine serves the coffee aficionado with information about coffee & coffee houses. See it online at www.virtualcoffee.com.

Do you know a phenomenal woman on campus?

Do you know a faculty member, staff member, or student whom you think deserves special recognition for her achievements?

Why not nominate her for the 2003 Phenomenal Woman Award.

Women all across this campus are making a difference. Why not show your appreciation?

Nomination forms are available at the information desk and are due by March 10.

Travel Time: The Jan-term Civil Rights History Tour

STACI GEORGE
Assistant Commentary Editor

This issue features photos from the Civil Rights History tour I attended during Jan-term. The travel itinerary included Nashville and New Market, Tennessee; Johns Island, South Carolina; Savannah and Atlanta, Georgia.

During the five days, we met a lot of people, heard many inspirational stories, did some soul-searching, cried a few tears, sang many songs, and learned a lot that we could never read in any history book.

In this issue's commentary section, I go into much more detail and provide personal reflections of the trip.

Remember, your travels can be seen in this section also. Just submit photos and/or comments from your vacation to Staci George via campus mail. Spring Break is right around the corner, don't forget the camera!



COURTESY OF STACI GEORGE

(L-R) Charlie Collyer, Pam Zappardino, Mahlia Joyce, and Staci George gather by the Angel Oak Tree on Johns Island, South Carolina. The tree is estimated to be over 1,400 years old and was used for hangings during slavery times.



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One highlight of the trip was sitting in the rocking chairs as we sang songs from various social movements and hearing stories at the Highlander Folk School in New Market, Tennessee.

"When Rev. James Bevel said that, 'If you see an injustice and do nothing to speak out or act against it, there's no record that you ever existed,' I knew that was a direct challenge for me to continue working for peace and justice." -Mahlia Joyce, student

From stage to this page: Threepenny Opera and more!

STACI GEORGE
Assistant Commentary Editor

Snow tried to interfere with the busy rehearsal schedule. It even tried to interfere with opening night on Friday, February 28.

But the show must—and it did—go on.

The Threepenny Opera had a good opening weekend. During the first weekend's productions, 300 people attended the shows, said Josh Selzer, box office manager.

What audiences saw were costumes distinctly from the 1980s, noteworthy orchestration, symbolic and contextually meaningful slides, and exemplary acting.

Director Elizabeth van den Berg commented

"We were all pleased that we weren't snowed out...and the show went great. Nice to add an audience to our work."

Quick, there is still time to see the show everyone talking about. Its final performances are March 6, 7 (sign-interpreted performance), and 8. All shows start at 8 p.m. in the Alumni Hall mainstage.

And after the Threepenny Opera

Auditions for the next McDaniel production "Children of a Lesser God" took place on March 2 and 3rd.

According to a flyer, this is a Tony Award-winning Best Play.

The flyer called it a unique and moving

love story set in a school for the deaf

Performance dates are Wednesday, April 23 through Saturday the 26.

As the show gets closer, The Phoenix will have the latest information.

Good luck to those who auditioned.



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Students visit London in January

Fourteen students joined theatre professor Ira Domser and his family for a tour of London, Bath, Glastonbury, Stratford, and other destinations.

In addition to sightseeing and museums, the group celebrated New Year's Eve in England.

For freshman Rachel Lobel, the trip's highlights included Stonehenge, Stratford, theatre museum in London, and Windsor Castle.

"There were pubs everywhere. People in general were so fun. The English made fun of our accents," said Lobel comically.

Also during Jan-term, the ACTF

Theatre professor Elizabeth van den Berg and 18 McDaniel students attended the Region II American College Theatre Festival (ACTF) at the University of Maryland, College Park at the Clarice Smith Center for the Performing Arts.

"This was McDaniel's most successful ACTF trip ever," said van den Berg, who was workshop coordinator, one of ten Irene Ryan judges, an co-taught a workshop in auditioning for musical theatre with WMC alum Steve Zumbun.

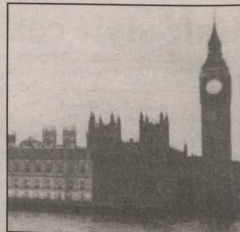
Three students—Andrew Gaver, Kristin Lagana, and Andrew Pecararo—competed for the Irene Ryan Scholarship Awards. Each had to prepare a monologue and a scene with a partner, both under five minutes, to present before two judges.

Andrew Pecararo, Matt Demos, Tierra Jolly, Jenna Layman, and Erin Shinholt were cast in staged readings directed by professional directors and scenes from Sexuality Persity in Chicago directed by students.

Theatre professor Ira Domser and junior Chrissie Andersen taught a workshop in creating masks.

Chris Assing, Clare Pavey, and Jonah Knight signed up to stage manage for the New Playwrights and Directors. They competed with more than 10 stage managers from other schools. Claire Pavey was selected to interview for the one position available to stage managers at the National Festival held at the Kennedy Center in April. Pavey will find out in April if she has been selected.

The Phoenix says good luck to Pavey and congratulates those who participated in this year's ACTF.



RACHEL LOBEL

A view of Big Ben and the London House of Parliament.



RACHEL LOBEL

Matt Demos and Andrew Pecararo model costumes at the Theatre Museum in London.

SPOTLIGHT on Service

Circle K is now seeking recognition for their 360°

KATIE MARTIN
Assistant News Editor

Circle K has done a "360°" in the past year, turning around their organization so much that they have been nominated at the district level for the Most Improved Club Award.

The McDaniel Chapter of Circle K belongs to the Capital District, so they were nominated among other organizations from Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, and the District of Columbia. President Susan Lange commented "rumor has it that we won the award," but Circle K will not officially be notified until March 7th.

This award would be positive recognition for the organization which has had a tumultuous past year. Lange commented "[the award] is important because last year was kind of rough, we almost had our charter revoked and we didn't have enough membership, so this year was a big turnaround

year." This year there are about 32 people who regularly attend meetings.

Lange says about 400 hours of community service have been completed amongst the members. Some of the activities with which Circle K has been involved this year include trick-or-treating for children in Westminster, adopting a family at Christmas, participating in the 30 hour famine for World Vision, and volunteering at children's programs at the Baltimore Zoo.

If you would be interested in participating in activities such as these, or others, such as making 400 peanut butter & jelly sandwiches for a homeless shelter in Baltimore, you can attend a Circle K meeting any Tuesday night at 9:00 pm in the Leidy Room.

Call Gulbin at ext. 8228 or by e-mail at smg004@mcDaniel.edu.

There is a plethora of community service opportunities available both here on the McDaniel College campus and in the surrounding Carroll County area. In an effort to spark student interest in community service, The Phoenix will be highlighting service accomplishments and opportunities in upcoming issues. Feel free to contact the Career Services Office at ext. 2243 for further information on any of the service activities mentioned in this column or if your organization would like to be spotlighted.

KATIE MARTIN
Assistant News Editor

A magician, a petting zoo, a moon bounce, games, and free food: these are just some of the activities to be provided for the children of Westminster at HYPE's Second Annual Jubilee. The jubilee

is scheduled to be held on Saturday, April 12, 2003 from 12:00-4:00 pm on the corner of West Main Street and Union Street under the arch. It is a free event for youth and their parents, organized with the purpose of unifying the Westminster community with the

Below: This is just a few of the 300 plus community members that attended last year's jubilee.



COURTESY OF ALLISON KIDWELL

60 SECONDS

What is the biggest obstacle you had to overcome here?

By: Tiffany Lee



TIFFANY LEE

"Facing the reality that a lot of students still act like their in high school because I was expecting a significant change."

-Ron Wooten, 06'



TIFFANY LEE

"Having to put myself on the frontline knowing that nobody is going to be behind me. This school has taught me what the real world is like."

-Crystal Towns, 03'



TIFFANY LEE

"Adjusting to living with someone else in one room because I'm used to living in my own little world at home by myself."

-Eric Featherston, 06'



TIFFANY LEE

"The living situation. Our room had roaches, rattling pipes and power problems."

-Chernee Goy, 06'



TIFFANY LEE

"Dealing with being free and adjusting to being on my own."

-JoJo Perry, 06'



TIFFANY LEE

"Narrow minded attitudes of some people on campus."

-Arnelle Quashie, 05'

See what all the HYPE is about at the McDaniel Jubilee

McDaniel College community.

This year's Jubilee is still in the organizational stages and in order to make it a success, HYPE (Harnessing Youth's Positive Energy) is in need of student volunteers. The aid of individuals or groups is welcomed, for there are various tasks with which to get involved.

At the present time, fundraising is the biggest concern. According to Coordinator Stephanie Gulbin "some money is being provided from the school, but not enough, not even half." She said HYPE applied for a few grants and was turned down, but they are still in the process of applying for others. The organization is also seeking donations of food and supplies from local businesses, as well as money from community organizations including the Lions Club and the VFW.

Gulbin mentioned that they "definitely don't know how much money we will get" and it is "costing a lot of money to put this on." Besides paying to hire a magician, rent a moon bounce, and put on a

puppet show, HYPE also has to pay for other items including food, prizes, game equipment, and advertising. Gulbin is looking for groups



COURTESY OF ALLISON KIDWELL
Coordinator Stephanie Gulbin, 04', and President Erin Collins, 03', are "Hyped" about this year's Jubilee.

to help with fundraising or even donate money of their own. She said the carnival "could be a community service project for any organization who wanted to help."

Other volunteers are needed the

day of the jubilee to set-up, take photographs, work booths, and clean-up. Gulbin said "the more people the better it will be...we obviously want to make it better than last year." Last year, over 50 students assisted with the Jubilee from at least 16 different campus groups.

HYPE encourages campus groups to get involved with larger service projects such as the Jubilee, since their purpose, according to President Erin Collins, "is to unite campus organizations together to sponsor larger scale community service events." HYPE holds a monthly meeting, in which presidents of campus organizations can meet to share ideas and collaborate on upcoming service projects.

The McDaniel Jubilee is one example of how HYPE coordinates such service events. Any individual or group who would like to assist with the Jubilee in any way is asked to contact Stephanie Gulbin at ext. 8228 or by e-mail at smg004@mcDaniel.edu.

Suggestions for sports readers' tournament bracket "Bracketology 101" for the NCAA Tournament

RYAN BROS
Assistant Sports Editor

Here are some helpful hints when filling out your NCAA tournament bracket this year:

*** Maryland's senior leadership** from Steve Blake and high-scoring Drew Nicholas will help the defending National Champs make some noise in the tournament. But without a consistent post game and with very inexperienced players coming off the bench (Caner-Medley, Gilchrist), Maryland could be headed for a pre-Eli Eight exit. (Also, keep in mind that very few teams have ever successfully defended a National Championship)

*** NEVER pick Kansas** to make the Final Four! Kansas has been the epitome of "choke" in the tournament in recent years. Although they have a very high powered offense led by Kirk Hinrich and big man Nick Collison, the Jayhawks are all too familiar with big game collapses. They're defense is suspect at times and in pressure situations (i.e. @ Oklahoma this February) the Jayhawks have a tendency to get down early.

*** Respect the Mid-Majors!!** Keep an eye out for teams like Creighton, the team to beat in the underhanded Missouri Valley Conference. Senior Kyle Korver could be the best shooter in the nation, and his supporting cast is very underrated.

*** Rick Pitino** has worked wonders in Louisville. Reece Gaines is one of the top players in the nation and often creates for the young-but-talented Francisco Garcia. When the Cardinal's are on their game, they are tough to beat.

*** Luke Walton and Jason Gardner** have a great chance of leading an experienced and

well-coached Arizona squad to yet another Final Four appearance. As I see it, Arizona is the safest pick to be in the Final Four... point guard Gardner has Final Four experience and Luke Olsen is undoubtedly one of the top coaches in the nation.

*** Keith Bogans and Kentucky** are playing the best basketball now of any team in the country. Coach Tubby Smith has his Wildcats playing extremely intense, smothering defense. Their offense that has been boosted by the now- consistent play of Bogans, as well as points off turnovers.

*** Sheldon Williams has emerged** as a low-post presence for the Duke Blue Devils. Finally the Dukes have an inside presence to complement their three-point shooting ability. If freshmen sharp shooter J.J. Redick, senior leader Dahntay Jones, and point guard Chris Duhon are on the same page during the tournament, the young Devils could go much further than critics are projecting.

*** Connecticut, Missouri, Dayton, and Xavier** are all teams that I have seen play this season and have been impressed with, and all four teams are very capable of making it through the first few rounds of tournament play. Connecticut and Missouri, both under the guidance of great coaches, have made significant tournament runs in the past few years.

One thing's for sure: filling out those brackets will be nothing short of a challenge this year. There have been many upsets in the regular season, and there are sure to be plenty in the tournament. Good luck.

- Tune in to ESPN on March 16th for the men's selection show and find out which teams are in the field of 65 -

PTI Column: Dave Johnson and Greg Lederer debate sports issues

The opinions of these columnists do not represent the views of the Phoenix

First Topic: Final four teams for the this year's NCAA Tournament

Dave Johnson: I like Arizona, Kentucky, Kansas, and Duke. Arizona has 3 senior leaders, a great offense, and have been the most consistent team all year. Kentucky has great coaching and tradition. Kansas was the preseason number 1 one team this year, they alot of experience, and great guard play. Who can forget about the dukes, as long as the leaders Dantey Jones and Chris Duhon play consistently during the tourney, they will go along way. I'm a big duke fan, so i have to stick with my team.

Greg Lederer: Who are you Dick Vitale? I'm sure that Coach K will give you props on your allegiance, but come on man, the Blue Devils are at least a year away.

Arizona
The Wildcats do have the three seniors Jason Gardner, Luke Walton, and Rick Anderson and they are the nation's deepest team as well as an offensive powerhouse

Kentucky
I have to give props to Coach Tubby Smith because the cats are playing incredible defense and despite not having any superstars, they embrace the team concept and just care about winning ball games.

Kansas
I know that people hate picking the jayhawks, but they have so much talent in their starting five and I personally believe that the senior combo of Kirk Hinrich and Nick Collison is tough to beat in single elimination games. The x-factor for them is the health of Wayne Simien, if hes not there, they aren't going anywhere.

Florida
Its a tough pick here, but since i have to pick somebody, I'll go with the Gators. They have great guards, and almost everybody on their team can shoot the three pointer which is critical in the tournament.

But honestly, anybody in the top 25 this year can make it interesting in this year's march madness so don't blame me if your brackets are way off.

Second Topic: Is Kobe Bryant better at this point of his career than Michael Jordan?

Dave: In terms of Kobe's and Michael's careers, I have to stay with his "Ainess." What can i say about MJ, the best player to ever play the game, but I do believe that ten years down the road if Kobe continues his dominance, we can start talking about them in the same category.

Greg: Ok, at the risk of being unpopular, I believe that Kobe Bryant is better at this point of his career than MJ. The guy has had the advantage of watching Michael growing up, and learning from him through the years. Kobe started his NBA career alot earlier than Michael, and thus his stats are

better than MJ's when Jordan was 24. Kobe has already protected his jump shot something that MJ didn't do until later in his career when he just relied on his leap ability and god given talent. Barring injury, I can see Kobe possibly ending up with better stats than MJ, the fact that he becomes better than Michael is almost impossible because the first is always better.

Third Topic: Whats the appeal of hockey?

Dave: I know hockey isn't as popular as b-ball or football, in my opinion, because it doesn't appeal as much to the majority of Americans. What doesn't basketball and football have, fighting. Fighting in any other sport would be suspensions up the kazoo, but not hockey. Its fast paced, hard-hitting action that appeals to the young adult crowd; what more can you ask for?

Greg: What more can i ask for? How about more scoring. I know that they score more in hockey than they do in World Cup soccer, but that no accomplishment. Hockey has much more appeal in Canada, and its chances of gaining more appeal in this country is marginal. All you need to play recreational football is players and a football, if you want to play basketball you can find a ball and a net, but hockey you need a stick and a puck, it just doesn't have the same appeal to Americans. By the way, your assertion that fighting only happens in hockey is a little much man. Ever hear about boxing? You know the sweet science, where they beat on each other without pads. They even get into fights at their press conferences. Give me Roy Jones Jr. against Mike Tyson over the Canucks vs. Maple leafs any day.

Fourth Topic: Whats the deal with reality shows?

Dave: I've recently have watched some of these reality shows such as Joe Millionaire, "Are you hot," American Idol, and the big one that started all of this, Survivor. Survivor was a great thing, but as these other shows start to move in, the more ludicrous and bizarre, they seem to get. Basically, if you like naked woman, simple plots, then crazy stunts, then reality shows are for you.

Greg: Well Dave aka fancy, i know how much you love "Are you hot," but reality shows are for nobody. Actually, I'm wrong I think that the tv executives understand Americans really well.

America is the mob, they love to watch shows with controversies, young good looking people, and idiots like American Idol's Simon who just disses people for everybody's enjoyment.

It's not just the shows either, they have to have other episodes that recap everything that happened so you get commentary of how one of the guys felt that got rejected by Trisha or whatever her name is. The shameful fact is that people will do anything now for their fifteen minutes of fame or money. Hey fancy, would you search around in a sewer for dead skunks for 50,000 dollars on Fear Factor?



Kentucky swingman Keith Bogans leans in for a jumper. The senior has been one of star players for the Wildcats this season.

The Results of the First Annual Phoenix All-McDaniel Sports team

The winners as chosen by the readers
are as follows in alphabetical order

Camponelli, Kim
Junior, Field Hockey and Softball

Hutsell, Aaron
Senior, Football

Luster, John
Senior, Football

Merson, Melissa
Senior, Soccer and Track & Field

Webb, Tara
Senior, Cheerleading

Congratulations to the athletes.

Swimming squads break several records at Conference Championships

GREG LEDERER
Sports Editor

The McDaniel College Men's and Women's Swimming team recently competed in the Centennial Conference Championships over the weekend.

Despite not winning the competition, both squads set several school records over the three days.

On the first day of the competition, the squads set three new school records.

For the women, the 400 medley relay team of freshman Aimee Smith and Cassie Allen, and juniors Katie Tomarelli and Mary Easterday broke a record with a time of 4:11.40, while junior Melanie Pulley came in fourth place in the 500 Free style with a school record time of 5:11.45.

The Men's 400 medley relay team of sophomores Alex Spry and Nick Grigsby, and juniors Matt Easterday and Dan Pickett also set a new record with a time of 3:40.76.

On Day 2 of the competition, the Men's team broke two school records in the 200 Medley race and

the 400 IM.

The team was spearheaded by Pickett who set a new mark in the 400 IM in a time of 4:14:20, good enough for second place, then came back and anchored the team of Alex Spry, Grigsby, and Easterday to another school record time of 1:41:17 in the 200 Medley race.

The Women's team broke 4 school records on the day as freshman Allen set a new mark in the 100 breast stroke in a time of 1:09:09, Tomarelli broke the record for the 100 Fly in 1:00:58.

Also, the 200 Medley relay team of freshman Brooke Bennett, Tomarelli, Allen, and Easterday broke a record with a time of 1:54:85, and the 800 Free relay team of Pulley, Tomarelli, Easterday, and Smith swam to a record time of 8:03:75.

Despite the records, the Men's team finished fifth out of seven teams with 280 points, while the women's squad finished sixth out of eight teams with 328 points in the Championships.

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Phoenix Sports Trivia

1. Who is the all-time leading scorer in the history of March Madness?

Answer: Christian Laettner (1989-1992) Duke 407 points, 23 games

2. Who is the all-time leading scorer in McDaniel College Men's b-ball history?

Answer: Will Marshall (1995-1998) 1,620 points

Indoor track produces strong performances at the Conference Championships

GREG LEDERER
Sports Editor

The McDaniel College Indoor track team produced a strong showing at the Centennial Conference Championships over the weekend.

On the Men's side, the Green Terror dominated the long jump and triple jump with freshman Broderick Maybank and Ifeanyi Ani leading the charge.

In winning a gold medal, Maybank also broke the McDaniel, Centennial Conference, and the Championship meet records with his 22 feet 8 inches jump.

Ani finished second in the event, but came back to take the gold in the triple jump with a leap of 45 feet 6.25 inches. This time, Maybank took the silver, finishing behind his teammate.

On the track, freshman Stuart Johnson took the bronze medal in the 55 meter dash, with Maybank right behind him in fourth place.

For the women, junior April Brown won the gold medal for the 55 meter sprint (7.34 seconds) and the 20 meters (26.20).

Senior Jen Bruce came in fourth in the pole vault with a leap of 9 feet 5 inches, while junior Christine Johnson came up just short of taking the gold in the long jump, finishing in second place with a jump of 16 feet 2 1/4 inches.

Johnson came back on the second day of the championships to take a silver in the triple jump, but

failed to medal in the 55 meter hurdles, coming in fourth place in the event.

The relay team of Brown, junior Kellie Pfeiffer, freshman Rachel Goodwin, and senior Melissa Merson took first in the 4 x 200 relay in a time of 1:48.

A week earlier, the team competed in the 3rd Susquehanna Invitational from Selinsgrove, PA.

The Men's squad received another strong performance from Maybank and Ani.

Maybank came in second place in the long with a leap of 21 feet 7 1/2 inches and third in the triple jump. He was also involved in the 4 x 200 meter relay with freshman Stuart Johnson, junior John Riley, and Jo Jo Perry who finished in a scorching time of 1:34.

Ani came in second in the triple jump with a leap of 47 feet and 3/4 inches and third in the long jump where he produced a jump of 21 feet 6 1/4 inches.

On the Women's side, Brown continued her dominance of the sprints with her best time of the year in the 200 meters (27.34 seconds) and a second place finish in the 55 meters with a time of 7.41 seconds.

She was also a member of the the 4 x 200 relay team of herself, Pfeiffer, Goodwin, and Holly Thompson to a time of 1:53.74, good enough for fourth place in the event.



Sophomore pitcher David Skoczlas winds up to throw some heat. You can read about the baseball team and the other spring sports in our preview edition in the next Phoenix

DAVID SINCLAIR

Green Terror Women's basketball falls just short of Conference Championship

GREG LEDERER
Sports Editor

As the McDaniel College Women's basketball team season was coming to a close, the team found themselves in a win or tie situation to defend their Centennial Conference title.

Using the heart of a champion, the squad fought and clawed to their way back to the title game, only to fall just short in their quest, losing in the finals to bitter rival Johns Hopkins University.

Despite the setback, the team is still in contention for post season play.

On March 1st, the Green Terror looked to repeat as Champions when they visited Johns Hopkins.

Unfortunately for the team, the Blue jays played stifling defenses and received a 28 point effort from senior Kathy Darling to take the title 82-58. McDaniel kept it close in the first half, thanks largely to the play of senior guard Jen Piccolomini who scored 22 points in the contest as the team went into the half only down by 42-33.

JHU was able to open the game wide open in the second half, as the Green Terror had trouble shooting from the floor (21% in the second half).

McDaniel finished with a 19-8 record and now await a possible post season bid.

The team made it to the Conference finals via their Semi-Final victory over Muhlenberg College.

The Mules played very well in the first half, but the Green Terror hung around, down only 34-36 at the half, and then used swarming defense to register a 77-64 victory.

The team was spearheaded by the play

of their guards, as Piccolomini had 20 points, sophomore Kelly Cramp had 15, and junior guard Toby McIntire had nine assists in the win, breaking a record for assists in a season with her 106th set up of the year.

With their season in dire straits, the team hosted conference rival Gettysburg College with a bid to the conference tournament on the line.

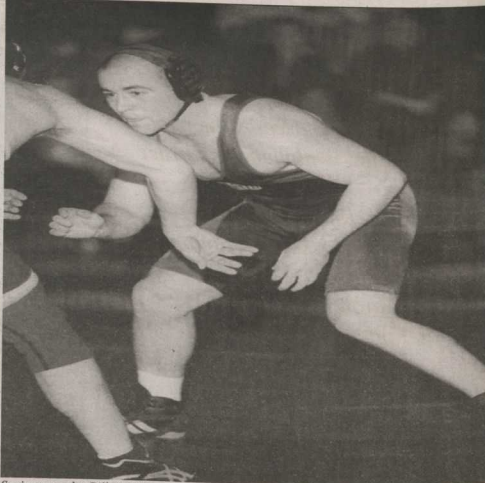
The game was tightly fought throughout, as neither team could gain a sizable advantage in the contest.

In the last minute of the contest, McDaniel led by two points, when disaster struck as McIntire lost control of the ball and the Bullets fell on the turnover as the crowd held their breath.

Gettysburg's shot to tie the game was short, and the Green Terror escaped with the ball as Cramp knocked down her 10th and 11th points at the free throw line to seal the 64-60 victory.

Despite the mishap, McIntire was an integral part of the win with her ten points, four steals, and six assists. Junior Jacqueline Pundt led the team on the inside with eight rebounds.

The team's late season surge almost led them to another Conference title, but the squad's season isn't over yet until they find out the decision of the post season committee.



Senior grappler Bill Bobbitt gets set to attack his latest victim. Bobbitt qualified for the Nationals Meet.

DAVID SINCLAIR

Green Terror wrestlers place second in strong finish at Centennial Conference Championships meet

ERIN ROMANSKI
Co-Editor-in-Chief

Ending a competitive season with a powerful edge, the McDaniel College wrestling team proudly took second-place at the Centennial Conference Championships on February 22.

The tournament was held at home for the first time in six years, drawing much support for the Green Terror.

McDaniel held its own to fierce competitor, Ursinus, who took first place with a total score of 107 points just 5.5 points more than that of MCD's 101.5.

The remaining competitors in the series of dual matches included Johns Hopkins University, Muhlenberg, Gettysburg, and Washington & Lee.

Contributing to a successful series of wins was 149-pound Bryan Hamper, who earned a 7-6 win with only 4.6 seconds remaining in the third period.

In addition, Dan Patterson won a place in the National Championship with his win in the 133-pound weight class. Levi McVey will also be returning to nationals after his 8-2 decision over Ursinus' 184-pound opponent.

Rounding out McDaniel's five champions who will attend the NCAA National Division III Championships at Ohio Northern University on March 7, were Bill Bobbitt and Drew Reinecker.

Bobbitt challenged Ursinus in the 165-pound match, using a takedown to achieve a score of 10-8 in the first 10 seconds of overtime.

Drew took the Championship from Johns Hopkins in the 285-pound heavyweight match, stealing an escape point from Karol Gryczynski in double-overtime.

Other scores include a second place finish in the 157-pound class by Shawn

Calhoun, fourth place by 174-pound Caleb Moore, and a second place win by Eric Bartczak in the 197 pound weight class.

Although suffering a defeat by way of injury in the 141-pound match, Davey Blake made a fierce effort, finally yielding at 2:02 in the first period.

The night ended with Mike Troutman of Ursinus College as the recipient of the tournament's Outstanding Wrestler Award; one of the four champions to finish up from Ursinus in the Conference.

Placing 8 of its 10 wrestlers in the finals, McDaniel sealed its position, finishing the season off with pride.

With focus now on Nationals, the team's five champions move forward, completing the spirited season full circle.



Green Terror guard Toby McIntire drives by the defense. She recently set the school record for assists in a season with 106 dishes.

DAVID SINCLAIR

Are you interested in writing and sports?

The Phoenix is currently looking for writers to cover the many spring sports on campus. No experience necessary.

Simply call the Phoenix at ext: 8600.



Teach-in and candlelight vigil attract students to voice opinions about war with Iraq

Over thirty students gathered in Memorial Plaza to talk about war

STACI GORGE

Assistant Commentary Editor

McDaniel students and faculty are concerned about what is going on in Iraq, and even in Afghanistan right now. They are uniting with other members of the McDaniel community for information sharing, prayers, and the chance to voice what is on their minds.

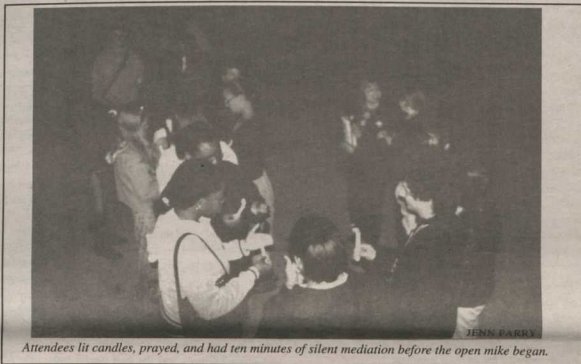
It started with a teach-in on Monday, March 10 and continued with a prayer vigil on Tuesday, March 25. It will carry on with several more events, including a Peace Picnic at noon on Thursday April 3 in the Library Memorial Garden (where the rock sculpture is). Glar will be providing bagged lunches for those who sign up for the meal exchange.

There is also another candlelight prayer vigil and poetry reading session on Wednesday, April 9 at 7 p.m. in Memorial Plaza (in front of Hoover Library).

"Basically we want to have one event every week to keep peace on everyone's mind," said Mahlia Joyce, a coordinator of these events.

Joyce said they are always looking for more students and faculty to get involved with the planning and coordination of these events. To help out, write your name, email address, and extension on a piece of paper and drop in campus mail for Mahlia Joyce.

Joyce and Eric Whitehair were



Attendees lit candles, prayed, and had ten minutes of silent meditation before the open mike began.

moderators for the teach-in held in McDaniel Lounge on March 10.

The teach-in was an information-sharing event, where a few students who worked with Joyce and Whitehair in planning the event did an abundance of research on a certain topic to present it at the teach-in.

One topic included sophomore Aster Grahm's presentation of the economics and costs of this war. Various media sources had the following figures: worse case scenario, \$100 billion to \$200 billion for the whole war; nine billion dollars spent in the first month of war;

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New academic building to be completed by fall 2003

Building will house graduate, psychology and education programs

TARA DELLAFRANZIA

Commentary Editor

A new academic building is scheduled to be completed by fall 2004.

The new building, which will reside between Hoover Library and ANW, will be home to Graduate and Professional Studies, the Education Department, the Psychology Department, and Academic Support Services. Those currently in Thompson Hall (next to Admissions) and many in Winslow Hall are in certain need of more updated facilities, and this new academic building will fulfill that need.

Some students are understandably concerned about the implications of adding another building on campus. Dr. Ethan Seidel describes the new building and clarifies, "The front of the new building will line up with ANW so that the quad will be preserved in its entirety."

Another concern is parking, which is already one of the cam-

pus' largest and most debated problems. Seidel explains that the new building will remove 44 campus parking spaces on the lots between the library and ANW. However, he also mentions that other campus parking improvements will be made as soon as possible. 200 or more parking spaces will be added this summer, Seidel promises, also mentioning a re-designed, driver-friendly Harrison House parking lot. The lot will be paved.

The new academic building will also require parking to be shifted back, behind ANW. The current tennis courts are to become more parking spaces, while a new tennis court will be built elsewhere (site yet to be determined).

Completely accessible to handicapped users, the new building will feature an elevator.

Undergraduate students will utilize the building for some Psychology and Education classes, but

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Tax cut in Maryland for private colleges

LAURA PETERSEN

Assistant Features Editor

With the Maryland budget growing smaller each day, the likelihood of more funding being cut for private colleges continues to grow.

With the state holding the power to lower funding to private colleges up to 25%, McDaniel College has already felt the squeeze when all private colleges in Maryland were given an 8% funding decrease earlier this year.

According to Vice President of Administration and Finance Ethan Seidel, state funding has already been lost this year.

Through a program entitled the "Selling Program," private colleges receive one dollar for every six dollars public institutions receive. This financial support has been temporarily lowered by 2.3% causing the college loss in \$400,000 anticipated dollars.

Another loss included the denial of \$3,000,000 dollars given each year to the college directly from the state of Maryland. Making up 7% of the school's \$40,000,000 budget, this has been a difficult blow as well.

"We were on an upswing for so long, when this happens it is shocking," Seidel explained. "But it is a nationwide problem, it is happen-

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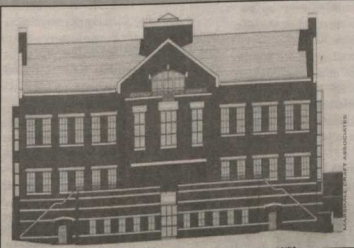
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And McDaniel is still growing...

A new academic building will be constructed between ANW and Hoover Library. See full story continued on Page 2.

Students react to war in Middle East

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eight million dollars for months two through four. And these are just the low-end figures.

Senior Yurenda Bassett spent a few minutes discussing alternatives to war and giving background history on the UN Security Council and their goals/objectives.

After their presentations, the floor was open for questions and concerns as the information-sharing event continued. Dr. Mohamed Esa, German professor, expressed fear that the U.S. will do to Iraq what Russia did to East Germany during World War II. Dr. Thomas Devery, Spanish professor, read excerpts from Jimmy Carter's op ed piece from a March 9th newspaper, where Carter talked about his uneasiness with this idea of going to war and sought to suggest other alternatives for Bush to take.

Following the night's session, Joyce said she thought the event "went well: good flow of information, people were passionate about learning more, and good in terms of getting the information out."

Then war broke out over spring break and Joyce and Whitehair began planning the next event and sending emails to get the word out about March 25's prayer vigil.

A crowd of about 30 or 40 people gathered at the steps of Hoover Library to have a prayer vigil for those fighting in the war to find a quick peace and get back to their normal routines at home.

Stopping by for a few moments before getting to her next place to be, President Joan Coley commented on the necessity for such a prayer vigil and teach-ins. "I think it is really important because McDaniel is a place of learning where all voices are heard and opinions considered."

The vigil began with a ten-minute silent



STACY GEORGE
Students gather in McDaniel Lounge to exchange information and gain insight about the pending war that would break during Spring Break. About 50 people attended.

mediation for people's personal introspection and prayers. The participants lit candles and meditated and sought answers from the higher power of their own faith.

Following that was about an hour and a half of open mike, where people volunteered to sing, play the harp, read poetry, address something on their mind, or quote something said in a newspaper earlier.

Junior Christina Cheek read a powerful and truthful poem she had written. "Weapons of Mass Destruction" criticized Bush and his reasons for war. But it was not her own interpretation, but rather facts that she and reliable sources had noticed. As she "rapped," she talked of a silent middle class and all the fear Americans possess because the upper class has scared us.

Harp player Joe Morrison stepped up to the podium and addressed the audience. "People say that hearing the harp makes them feel peaceful. By playing the harp, I hope I am promoting peace." And she played beautifully for several minutes.

In an e-mail following the night's event, Joyce commented that her harp playing was

one of the most moving experiences for me.

Joyce is hoping to have Morrison and other musicians play at the upcoming Peace Picnic.

During his time at the podium, Walt Michael, artist in residence and director of Common Ground on the Hill, said that we should not let fear hurt us. He urged the crowd to "Look around and acknowledge each other as friends, as someone to talk to throughout the week and as event unfold."

Marty O'Connell, Dean of Admissions, read some poetry and had copies of Mark Twain's "The War Prayer" for people to take with them because the poem was too long for her to read right there.

Although the open mike session continued after her poetry reading, this article will end with a few lines from "The War Prayer."

"It was a great time of great and exciting excitement. The country was up in arms, the war was on, in every breast burned the holy fire of patriotism... It was indeed a glad and gracious time, and the half dozen rash spirits that ventured to disapprove of the war



JENN PARRY
Pam Zappardino holds her candle as she reflects and prays for a quick peace.

and cast a doubt upon its righteousness straightway got such a stern and angry warning that for their personal safety's sake they quickly shrank out of sight and offended no more in that way...[The stanger said] "Bless our arms, grant us victory, O Lord our God, Father and Protector of our land and flag..." The stranger continued "O Lord our God, help us to tear their soldiers to bloody shreds with our shells; help us to cover their smiling fields with the pale forms of the their patriot dead; help us to drown the thunder of the guns with the shrieks of their wounded, writing in pain... It was believed afterward that the man was a lunatic, because there was no sense in what he said."

The Phoenix will have coverage of the Peace Picnic and upcoming vigil in the next edition.

McDaniel campus to see new building improvements

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the majority of classes taught there will be for Graduate students.

Of all things needed on campus, Seidel makes a firm argument for the need of this building at this time.

"Many people are not aware that there are 2000 to 3000 individuals enrolled in graduate classes in a given year. On a full time equivalent basis, this translates into nearly 700 full-time graduate students. The current home of the Graduate School, Thompson Hall, is a two-story converted Infirmary with approximately 7,000 sq. ft. of space."

The new building has no direct correlation to the size of the undergraduate class, but rather the needs of a Graduate program that has been experiencing steady growth for many years.

When the new building opens, Thomp-

son and Winslow Halls will then be closed for renovations. In the future, Seidel indicates that these halls will probably be used for administrative purposes rather than academic.

The building currently has no name; it's working name is simply "the new academic building," but when construction nears completion, there will most likely be a donor or someone whom the school might honor. This person's name could be the new building's name.

At best, the building will be ready for use, with faculty moved in to new offices in the Fall 2004 semester, but depending on construction may not be ready until the following semester.

In addition to the new academic building, a "Campus Master Plan" is expected to be approved by mid-April. Seidel indicates that this plan would take into consideration the various suggestions for renovation on campus, such as Rouzer Hall. Currently, projects are prioritized in accordance with need and available funding.

This summer, Blanche Ward Hall will receive a sprinkler system and new windows, and construction on the new academic building will begin.

Cut will not affect student tuition rates

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ing everywhere."

With the budget deficit growing because of the governor's promise not to raise taxes and the legislature's decision not to approve slots, colleges across the state are making plans on what gets cut from their budgets.

"The impact of this will be felt," Seidel said. "It will be painful but not devastating."

A concern among students has been more increases in tuition. Increased this fall from \$27,040 to \$28,140, tuition went up 4%. Since the tax cut in private colleges, students have feared another increase.

"My dad hit the roof when we got the notice that tuition was increasing this past fall," Sophomore Betsy Rosenbaum explained. "I'm on scholarship like most students here and unfortunately with the increase in tuition, our scholarships do not increase as well."

Freshman Liz Manns had similar feelings to the fall increase in tuition.

"I think if the price continues to increase I can't go here," Manns explained. "It's too expensive and I don't really see where the money goes, they don't tell us. I could go to a cheap state school and have better resources than here."

Luckily for students, the fall increase will be the only increase that occurs in tuition regardless of the tax cut.

"Students won't be effected, we made the commitment in the fall to the price," Seidel said. "Funds will be tight elsewhere."

According to Seidel, equipment requests may not be filled. From lawnmowers, tractors and trucks to educational equipment, these requests may likely be denied. Additional positions will also remain unfilled.

"It is highly unlikely for anyone to get laid-off, we do not have a history of running this way," Seidel explained. "We will simply not fill empty positions."

Ten years ago when Maryland was in a recession, funding to the college was reduced. Seidel believes that the college will be able to weather this storm better than ten years ago when for two years employees did not receive pay increases.

"Cuts will be worse this time around," he explained. "But we are in better shape."

Fired up about a change on campus? Why not voice your opinion. Write a commentary for The Phoenix. Drop it off in the box at the information desk and BE HEARD!

Campus Safety News

February 26 - March 29, 2003

COMPILED BY KATIE CHAMPION

News Editor

2/26/03: 12:01 a.m., Report of malicious mischief to the third floor of Blanche Ward Hall. Pancake syrup was poured on doorways to rooms and throughout the hallway.

2/26/03: 8:20 p.m., Student slid on ice into another vehicle while pulling into upper ANW parking lot.

2/28/03: Suspicious package investigation.

2/28/03: 6:30 p.m., Employee had mirror on her vehicle damaged while parked in Rouzer Hall parking lot. Second incident in three weeks. No suspect.

3/1/03: Housekeeping reported glass in exit door on second floor of Blanche Ward Hall had been broken. DoCS observed that the exit sign above door was missing a panel.

3/1/03: 1:10 a.m., Student documented for a quiet hours violation, a fire code violation and failure to comply in the Garden Apartments.

3/1/03: 1:16 a.m., Student in Garden Apartments failed to comply with Residence Life staff.

3/1/03: 1:52 a.m., Two underage students found in possession of al-

cohol in a dry dorm.

3/1/03: 1:05 p.m., Exterior door of Whiteford Hall vandalized. No suspects.

3/3/03: 11 p.m., Unknown subject(s) broke and entered into a soda machine in Winslow Hall.

3/4/03: Two vehicles parked with bumpers touching in Harrison parking lot. Both vehicles' information was taken. The driver of one vehicle is unknown.

3/5/03: 3:43 p.m., Grease fire in Garden Apartment building three. Students contained fire to kitchen. Apartment has fire and smoke damage.

3/5/03: 10:30 p.m., Student reported damage to vehicle in upper ANW parking lot.

3/6/03: 7 p.m., Student reported harassment by former boyfriend who is also a student. Former boyfriend to be warned and cease actions or face criminal and college sanctions.

3/7/03: Arson and burglary reported in North Village Apartments. Investigation in progress.

3/7/03: 12 p.m., Victim stated that

her unattended vehicle was struck by another vehicle while parked in Bair Stadium parking lot. Subject was identified through investigation.

3/7/03: 2:45 p.m., Vehicle backed into DoCS vehicle creating minor damage to front driver's side quarter panel.

3/7/03: 3:27 p.m., Non-student reported on campus. Officer advised that subject was harassing employees and acting suspicious. Subject given a trespass notice.

3/8/03: 1:28 a.m., Student observed urinating from third floor stairwell window of McDaniel Hall. Student also in possession of someone else's Maryland driver's license. I.D. was confiscated.

3/8/03: 1:45 a.m., Non-student restricted from campus was found in McDaniel Hall. Subject was told to leave or would be arrested for trespassing. Subject complied.

3/8/03: 6 p.m., Windowpane fell out of balcony door on the first floor of Blanche Ward Hall. Student attempted to catch the window and cut two fingers on his left hand.

3/9/03: 6:02 p.m., DoCS responded to fire alarm in Garden Apartments building two. Upon investigation, determined to be false alarm.

3/9/03: 7:30 p.m., Clothes left in washing machine in Daniel MacLea building were taken. No known suspects.

3/9/03: 11:27 p.m., Fire alarm sounded in Garden Apartments building one due to negligent student while cooking.

3/12/03: Fire extinguisher found missing from wall bracket in Garden Apartments building three.

3/13/03: 2:30 p.m., Suspicious package left on front porch of Pennsylvania Avenue house.

3/13/03: 3:37 p.m., Hit and run accident occurred in the water tower parking lot. Suspect identified through vehicle registration.

3/13/03: 10 p.m., Unknown suspect(s) stole a stanchion from the exterior of ANW Hall.

3/13/03: 11:29 p.m., Large floor party in Blanche Ward Hall. 150+ students involved. Floor cleared after several attempts by Residence

Life and Campus Safety.

3/14/03: 8:05 p.m., College owned stanchion recovered from a storage closet in ANW Hall.

3/17/03: Unknown suspect(s) damaged the rear door to North Village Apartments building D.

3/21/03: 9:49 a.m., Residence Life reported an alcohol violation in students' living area in the North Village Apartments. An officer escorted an RLC to room and removed the item(s).

3/25/03: 11 p.m., Chair was taken from the Charleston Lab in Hoover Library. No suspects.

3/28/03: Multiple acts of destruction of property in Blanche Ward Hall.

3/28/03: 12:14 a.m., Fraternity and sorority used Harvey Stone Park fireplace without authorization. Possession of open containers of alcohol in a public area.

3/28/03: 2:30 a.m., Fraternity suspected of hazing pledges.

3/29/03: 1:32 a.m., Fireworks set off in McDaniel Hall. No injuries reported. No damage to the building visible.

Garden Apartment fire leaves four students temporarily homeless

NICOLE GRIMM
Staff Writer

On Wednesday, March 5 around 4:00pm, the fire alarms sounded in the Garden Apartments due to an accidental fire in 3D.

The fire erupted in the kitchen because of something that was left unattended on the stove.

Erica Bowman, RLC for the Garden Apartments explained, "Fortunately, the students grabbed a fire extinguisher from the laundry room and had basically put the fire out before the Fire Department came."

While the fire did not spread to other areas of the apartment building, damage was still done in apartment 3D. The fire ruined the wooden cabinets that lined the kitchen as well as left the apartment smelling of smoke.

During the week that their apartment was renovated, the four residents lived in alternative housing and were able to move back in on Sunday, March 23.

They were greeted with brand

new cabinets, a new stove, and new carpeting that had been professionally cleaned.

Though many students were not aware that there had been a fire in the Garden Apartments, residents of the building were there to witness it first hand.

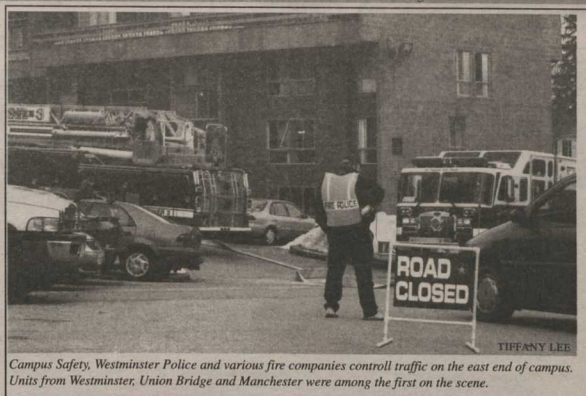
Pete Christake, resident of apartment 3G, was forced out of the building around 4:00pm and was allowed back in about 40 minutes later.

"At first I couldn't see smoke, but as I got down to the first floor I could see that smoke was coming out of the windows," Christake recalled.

Christake went on to explain that the Fire Department arrived about 15-20 minutes after the alarm went off.

Police officers arrived on the scene as well, and together there were a lot of emergency vehicles present at the apartments.

Instead of working to put out the fire, the firemen were pulling out the damaged cabinets and were throwing them out the windows.



Campus Safety, Westminster Police and various fire companies controll traffic on the east end of campus. Units from Westminster, Union Bridge and Manchester were among the first on the scene.

This was the scene that many witnesses remember the most.

Thankfully, the residents of Garden Apartments 3D were not harmed and the fire was not as bad as it could have been.

Overall, the campus handled this dilemma very well, which can be accredited to the quick thinking of the students of the apartment as well as the fast response from Campus Safety and the Fire Department.



Students look on as firefighters attempt to control the kitchen fire in apartment 3D.

Free tax prep offered by accounting students to college and community

Last year VITA helped over 200 people in the Westminster area

It's become almost as much of a certainty as death and taxes: free tax help at McDaniel College.

Since 1993, college students have been helping students and other low- to moderate-income taxpayers file their taxes through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program.

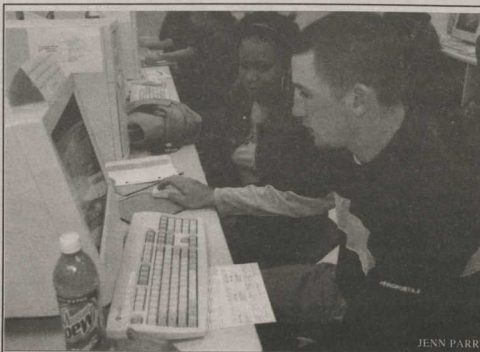
This year, as the program begins Feb. 11, 40 people have already registered for appointments with the students. The students, who are mainly business and economics majors, are trained by the Internal Revenue Service and receive college credit for their work.

Last year the students helped more than 200 people prepare their taxes, and this year they will offer assistance once again - speaking to them in multiple languages, if necessary, and filing some taxes online in a campus computer lab.

"I find that a lot of senior citizens come to us - as opposed to the senior center - because they like working with the young people," said Susan Milstein, professor of economics and business. "People have been coming for 11 years. They want the students to help them again."

Milstein founded the program in 1993 during a sabbatical from the College. That first year, as she and her students sat waiting for people to come, she couldn't anticipate the program's future growth.

Now taxpayers need to call to make appointments before they come, so they speak to one student designated with screening



JENN PARRY

Free tax help is available on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7 - 9 p.m. in the basement of Lewis Hall of Science.

callers, advising them on what to bring, and handling scheduling. "It's like a business, but we don't get paid," Milstein said.

Since developing McDaniel's program, Milstein has helped Mount St. Mary's College in Emmitsburg and Frostburg College start VITA programs as well.

"It's such a good program because they help themselves, they help the community," Milstein said.

Tax help will be offered Tuesdays and

Thursdays from 7 to 9 p.m. and Saturdays from noon to 3 p.m. from Feb. 11 through April 8, except during the College's spring break, from March 14 to 23. All sessions will be held in the IBM lab in the Lewis Hall basement. Source: www.mcdaniel.edu

To schedule an appointment, call Anita Edwards at 410-751-8285.

It's not too late to RSVP and attend the 4th Annual College Press Day

Saturday, April 5

9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. (please be at registration in foyer by Decker auditorium by 9:15 a.m.)

A day of workshops, panel discussions, networking, opportunities, lunch, and interactions with students from other schools' media staffs. Bring your resume writing portfolio to have the pros look it over!

Keynote speaker: Jon Lieberman (Fox 45 Investigative Reporter) (* subject to change if sent on assignment)

Workshops with: Andrea Shalal-Esa (Reuters), Jay Apperson (Baltimore Sun's Carroll County Bureau), Sarah Caldwell (WBAL-11), Stacey Duck (the Gazette and WMC alum), Marcus Helton (Carroll County Times and WMC alum), Jamie Kelley (Carroll County Times), Vivian Laxton (Frederick Gazette), and others!

There is a \$5.00 optional fee for lunch (or you can bring your own/go to Glar)

Call Staci at x 8541 with any questions, to RSVP, or to sign up for a catered lunch.

2003 Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges

39 McDaniel students will be honored at the annual Senior Investiture and Honors Convocation in May. Members of the class of 2003 include:

Jamin Bartolomeo
Jennifer Abra Broderick
Elizabeth Emil Bryan
Wendell Dean Butler, Jr.
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Selena Kathleen Smart
Holly Kristen Smith
Edward Kenneth Schultheis
Theodore Joseph Stephen
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Katherine Elisabeth Wall

Congratulations!

No senioritis, but a serious search for job opportunities



Staci George discusses her absence of senioritis, difficulties in finding a job, and her pride in the values that McDaniel has instilled in her.

Around the time of spring break, the annual illness known as senioritis starts nabbing at normally diligent students.

Some cases of senioritis have been reported as early as this past August, when certain students began their last year of school.

But this commentary isn't about how this bug has bitten.

Quite the opposite: it's as if I have had the shot or vaccination.

Who knows, my body may eventually give into the illness whose symptoms include laziness in one's school work, lack of caring about the grade, increased socializing with one's friends, and making any excuse not to be one's normal productive self.

Rather than being bitten by the senioritis bug, I ran smack dab into the fist of reality. It happened on

Tuesday, March 11 when I sat at my sorority's fundraising table trying to sell raffle tickets for a gas gift certificate.

I saw a whole mass of non-seniors (as well as those seniors opting to finish in December '03) wait to draw lottery numbers for an upcoming North Village apartment draw.

This is going to sound silly and some may laugh at me, but I had to actually hold back tears. Watching this process go on was a bittersweet moment.

The tears were trying to break through because I have no idea where I will be living come August. Will I be residing near my place of employment?

Will my employment be the beginning of a journalism career I have been working on since 7th grade?

Journalism is a hard field to break into, especially my new goal of being a broadcast reporter. Sure, I may get a job.

But what if it's in Boise, Idaho

and I have to move to a new neighborhood, find new friends, and try that oh so dreaded long-term relationship with my boyfriend who resides in Westminster and works in Owings Mills.

I have no doubt that this idea of "where will I be living in six months?" has been on the minds of

"I did not cry because I have faith in all my collegiate endeavors and my abilities."

other seniors. Some peers have told me that they will be living home with their family until they get situated in a job and have some sort of financial security.

Sure I could return home.

The journalism industry is not as booming in my small town near Allentown, PA as it is in the Baltimore-Washington area.

None of my close friends will be there, for I am sure they will

wish to remain in Philadelphia or New York City.

I wanted to cry because of the sense of uncertainty I have about the future.

I have worked hard over the four years in all my classes, spent countless hours in leadership duties for my various extra curricular activities, put my best work forward in my three internships, and made sure to network along the way.

What if all this is not enough to jumpstart my career and lead me into the life I have been dreaming of for a long time?

I did not cry because I have faith in all my collegiate endeavors and my abilities. I did not cry because I am excited to see what

the eventual outcome it is.

Above all, I did not cry because I checked my phone messages and had one about setting up a phone interview for a job.

So to all those seniors reading, good luck in the job search or graduate school applications.

For all you freshmen, be forewarned, four years goes fast and one of you will be writing a similar commentary a lot sooner than you thought!

-Staci George is a senior communication major

Reflections from a senior: loved four years; upcoming graduation

Craig Johnson confronts the eventuality of leaving the comforts of college

59 days, 13 hours, and 52 minutes. For those of you who don't enjoy doing math, like myself, that's a little less than two months.

In 59 days, 13 hours and 52 minutes, I will walk across the stage at Gill Center, a building that like many others on campus has come to symbolize home, comfort, and familiarity in my life, and receive my diploma (in front of ALL six guests that I am allowed to bring).

Then I will take one last look at the sculpture of the fallen boxer in the lobby which I have never quite understood, and walk through those squeaky gym doors....as a graduate.

I know my parents will be ecstatic when this day finally arrives.

It will mean several things for them: they can stop worrying about me partying away my future (although there is still time for that); hassling me about my grades is no longer necessary; and most importantly, they can stop sending checks for thousands of dollars to this institution so that I can spend my Saturday nights running intoxicated down Pennsylvania Avenue like an airplane.

To my parents, graduation day means that I am no longer their responsibility, that I am off their hands and out of their hair.

Most likely they will alter the room I grew up in beyond recognition, change the locks, and send me on way.

But for as much as I can joke about graduating right now, I must admit that the reality of leaving

McDaniel is starting to set in, and I am scared.

There are not many things in this life that strike a great deal of fear in me (this does not include snakes, I hate snakes), but uncertainty is one of them.

For four years of my college life, everything has been promised, and subsequently handed to me.

Every time I woke up, sometimes not until the afternoon, I knew exactly what the day had in store for me: go to class, do a little bit of work here and there, then the rest of the time was mine to do as I pleased.

If I ran out of money, home was just a 40-minute ride away. I'd bring my mooching sack, beg to mom and dad, and leave the house

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with not only money, but groceries as well.

This is the closest I ever came to what most people call "shopping."

In one of his songs singer John Mayer states that "there's no such thing as the real world, it's just a line you've got to rise above."

With all due respect to Mayer, I believe that the real world is unlike the fountain of youth, the Easter Bunny, or Santa Claus; it does exist.

The real world starts where the classroom ends, where learning and practical application coincide, where one is asked to abandon the shoulder they have been leaning on in order to stand on their own two feet.

It's where people have to do their grocery shopping at an actual supermarket, with a shopping cart.

The real world can be harsh and unforgiving.

It can be cold and confusing.

The real world will swallow you whole if you let it.

And while I am scared about what the future after college holds, I know that my two feet will hold me steady.

I believe it is this underlying confidence that is the greatest gift McDaniel College has given to me.

Somewhere inside, amidst the fear and the doubt, I know that I am thoroughly prepared to face whatever life has in store for me, including a thinning job market.

Being a Communications major (I don't know exactly what that is either), this is a pretty bold statement; but it's what I truly believe.

As cliché as it sounds, these have been the best four years of my life. But not because of what I have learned in the classroom.

Instead, it is the intangibles that I have acquired when the books and pens were put away that has made my time here so rewarding.

I have no idea exactly how much I have progressed as a student during college, but I know that I have grown leaps and bounds as a person.



JESSICA WATSON

As much as I hate to say it, I am adult now, but more than that, I am a self-assured individual.

So before I begin suffering from senioritis so much that I boycott work altogether, I thought I'd take the opportunity to say thank you McDaniel College.

It's been great.

-Craig Johnson is a senior communication major

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In support of Bush: War right decision

Making the decision to go to war is never an easy one. Putting the lives of soldiers on the line to fight for a cause that a person believes in is always a tough choice.

By going to war with Iraq, President George W. Bush made a brave and correct decision. Saddam Hussein can be compared to a school bully. Like a school bully who preys on the weak, Hussein will persist in his behavior as long as there is no force applied.

The United Nations weapons inspections were a complete joke. Hussein wouldn't give in to weapons inspectors unless there was a threat of force such as when he agreed to destroy some of his Al-Samoud 2 missiles when failing to do so could have possibly resulted in military action. Remember this is also the man who kicked out U.N. inspectors in 1998.

This insulting charade would have continued for months if Bush didn't stamp his foot down, like the kid in school who stands

up to the bully who always takes his lunch money. Chief weapons inspector Hans Blix would have continued to cite that Iraq was slowly making progress, insulting the intelligence of those who know Saddam Hussein's true nature.

Want to know why we have had several terrorist attacks over the past ten years? Terrorists knew that the United States wouldn't do anything in reprisal.

Think about it: the 1993 World Trade Center bombing, the 1998 U.S. Embassy bombing in Kenya, and the 2000 attack on the U.S.S. Cole in Yemen were followed by almost no response by the United States.

Sadly it took the September 11 attacks that killed over 3,000 people for the United States to stand up itself. Whether the U.N. wants to acknowledge it or not, Saddam Hussein possesses chemical and biological weapons. Ask the 1,000 Kurds that were killed in 1988 by chemical weapons. It is clear that Saddam has no love lost for the

United States and it is very possible that he could supply terrorist groups such as al-Qaeda or Hamas with these weapons. Al-Qaeda was able to kill over 3,000 people with box cutters, so imagine what it could do with chemical and biological weapons. This is a reality that Bush is not willing to see play out.

The United States is a country that allows its citizens freedoms that many Arab countries do not allow their citizens.

This allowance of these freedoms enraging some Arab citizens, who seek their retribution by attacking our country. These freedoms have been the pillar of our country for over 225 years. We must stand up for our freedoms, so we must defeat these threats before we see them in the loss of innocent American citizens. Bush has taken this initiative.

-Matt Jackson is a freshman history major

Raising awareness: Farm workers in US

March 31 marks the birthday of Cesar Chavez, and April 4 marks the 35-year anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s death. About a month before his assassination, Dr. King joined Cesar Chavez's cause to improve the lives of farm workers. These two men improved the lives of others through non-violent movements such as fasting and boycotts.

These two men are gone, but their goals and dreams still live on through others who continue to advocate for the rights of farm workers. One such form of advocacy is National Student Labor Week of action that takes place on March 31 through April 4. This week is dedicated to raising awareness of the harmful conditions farm workers continue to face in the United States.

In the United States, there are about 2 to 3 million farm workers. 75% of them earn less than \$10,000 a year. Female and undocumented farm workers earn less than males

farm workers who have legal residency in the United States. Of the farm workers in the United States, 7% are U.S. born Caucasian, 1% are African Americans, and the majority are of Hispanic origin, with 77% being Mexican born.

Farm workers are victims of pesticide poisoning. Their health is threatened due to their constant exposure to pesticides. The annual use of pesticides is about 1 and 4 million pounds, according to a 1991 survey. Pesticides used in agriculture account 75% of total U.S. pesticide use. The 25 most used pesticides are hazardous to farm workers.

Pesticides can cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, rashes and many more problems. The long-term effects of pesticides are known to cause irritation to eyes, skin and lungs and are poisonous to the nervous system. Furthermore, some of these pesticides are carcinogenic, and can cause genetic and reproductive problems (Journal of Pesticide

Reform, 1994). 60% or farm workers are exposed to such pesticides causing poor health conditions among them and their children.

Organizations dedicated to improving the conditions of farm workers, such as the Farm Labor Organizing Committee (FLOC), the Coalition of Immokalee Workers (CIW), and the United Farm Workers (UFW) are involved in current boycotts. These organizations are boycotting Mr. Olive Pickles, Taco Bell, and Pictsweet mushrooms at Pizza Hut for their exploitation and maltreatment of farm workers.

The Hispano Latino Alliance is raising awareness of the conditions of farm workers in the U.S. throughout the National Student Labor Week. Please join the HLA in accomplishing their goal to help improve the lives of farm workers.

-Faniska Lopez Gonzalez is a junior philosophy major

The truth about peaceniks and warhogs



Myth: War advocates hate anti-war demonstrators and advocates.

Truth: Not all war advocates hate or even dislike peace advocates. In an online news chat, I encountered one war advocate who had served in the US Army. We disagreed on almost every political point, but because we listened to each other, we understood at least what "the other side" meant.

Then, someone else asked me to leave the country if I didn't like how it was being run, and of all people, the retired Army gentleman spoke up in my favor. He said that he fought to defend this country's freedom, and that included my right to dissent or disagree. Believe it or not, people of this mindset are not as rare as you might think.

Myth: War advocates think that President Bush is the best possible leader.

Truth: Those in favor of war have a diversity of opinion on this issue. Many people are simply going along with the war because since it has begun, they feel that it cannot be stopped. Still, others feel that regardless of their vote in the last election, it is their duty to stand behind the president, regardless of party or policy.

Myth: Anti-war demonstrators have become violent and riot in worldwide protest.

Truth: There are many different types of protests, from silent candlelight vigils to planned acts of civil disobedience. Note that the protests that you hear about are most of

ten the ones involving action or arrest. This is often why it is done—this is the only way to get media attention. Furthermore, if a crowd is large enough, it is bound to draw a variety of protesters.

Myth: Those against the war do not support our troops and will spit on them when they return.

Truth: Many people have learned from the Vietnam war that hating the soldiers is not the answer. Instead, most peace activists tend to disagree with what is being done with the soldiers. They care about the troops and want them to return home safely. Many Americans, regardless of opinion, have had friends and relatives serve in the military and feel a personal connection to our armed forces. Likewise, most see a defensive military as a reasonable necessity.

The simple truth is this: few of us truly like a war, or really want one. The difference comes down to whether or not an individual feels that a war is necessary or if there is proper cause for it, and the way in which it is waged.

While I, for one, am still wary of the call to rally behind our president (or any single person), I do not think that demanding respect for myself, my opposition, and the troops is too much to ask of America or the microcosm that is our campus.

-Tara DellaFrancia is a senior English major

Behold: An empire!

Tara DellaFranza makes a comparison of empires

Setting: preparatory high school. Class: impressionable young freshman. The teacher was Mr. Dwight Peterson, and the subject was Latin. Who would ever think, though, that Latin would be so relevant in the rest of our lives?

"You know what scares me?" Peterson would always say when discussing various emperors and the corrupt nature of Rome, "America. It's a lot like the Roman Empire." At first, the class found it ridiculous, but I began to see many similarities. Rome set the standard in culture, technology, and philosophy. What it didn't take credit for (or sometimes, just take) from the Greek and Etruscan civilizations, it made. It improved, and made more, and expanded... and fell.

If you're in the empire at the right time, though, you receive a lot of advantages. Think of America between the first Gulf war and September 11th. We have superior information technology, military forces, politics, and medicine.

America needs to study its history. Like Rome, we harbor the best military. While we don't have colonies, this country was based upon the colonization of America (also known as stealing land from the natives by threat of violence and enslavement). Like Roman outposts, we have bases all over the world.

Our similarity to Rome does not end at these possible simple coincidences. America possesses inherent cultural and political traits of Rome. Intentionally or not, our culture is the dominant world culture. Our economy, with Japan, leads the world economy. It is in this way that America has won half of the battle an empire should

wage.

Puppet regimes and funding of governments that comply is just as old as Rome as well—as policies enforced by America today.

The most important lesson we can take from Rome, though, is its symbolism and fall. As freshmen, we also viewed the film version of Robert Graves' *I Claudius*, the complex tale of an overlooked emperor who had good sign to restore the republic to a corrupt and failing Rome. Two symbols of Roman power appear in this film. One, an eagle. The other, a swastika, in its pre-Nazi use of good luck and fortune.

With so many similarities, why do Americans refuse to see themselves as Romans? The elite of Rome and the culture beneath it united (not necessarily by choice), and had a good grip on the world.

They saw their rule as fair, they prospered, and had the best technology. Perhaps we refuse association because they fell. Or perhaps because we associate overzealous rulers with the likes of "Saddam" or "Adolph," and don't want "George" to be associated with them.

It's not so much that an empire has to be wrong, or that an emperor is always wrong. It's simply that the nature of an empire goes against what the United States was founded to be: a state separate from the empire that helped found it.

I simply wish that America would own up to it, and be taught about it sooner than I was first presented the idea in high school. We are an empire, and it's wrong to hide the fact. Embrace the benefits, and be aware of the dangers.

-Tara DellaFranza is a senior English major

War: Defense, not imperialism

Joe Palkovic responds to last issue's anti-war commentaries with his perspective

Reading all the propagandizing of the "Commentaries" section of this paper's last issue left me utterly exhausted.

When thinking about all the ridiculous claims made by Staci George and Tara DellaFranza concerning war with Iraq, I encountered an unfamiliar feeling, and here's what it was: for once in my life, I actually had so many refutations to someone's arguments swimming around in my head that I had to lie down and wait for the dizziness to pass. After I regained my bearings, I began to map out my thoughts:

First of all, we have all heard, over and over, that it is not the solution of the Iraq situation to be the aggressor in a "pre-emptive" war.

However, this would not by any means be a "pre-emptive" war. After all, the conditions of the Gulf War cease-fire included the unconditional cooperation of Iraq in disarmament, and in abandoning all chemical and biological weapons pursuits.

The UN weapons inspectors were to be used as a method of verification that Iraq was disarming, which of course it was not, did not, and never will.

This disarmament was a requirement for the cease-fire.

There have been seventeen "Last Chances" for Iraq. The UN has passed resolution after resolution, and after 12 years, still no substantive action has been taken in Iraq's disarmament.

Many liberals (especially Democratic presidential candidates, it seems) argue that putting all our attention on Iraq is drawing our attention away from the "War on Terror."

On the contrary, we have seen intelligence from Secretary Powell that shows in fact that Iraq partici-

pates actively in the harboring of international terrorists.

In 2001, there was strong bipartisan support for the President when he stated, "We will make no distinctions between these terrorists and those who harbor them." All of a sudden, it seems people are all too eager to make such distinctions.

Given what we know about Iraqi weapons programs, as well as their willingness to provide aid for terrorists (who hate America, Europe, and our Israeli allies equally), how can we possibly reason that it is not only a matter of time before Iraq provides them with additional favors, like, say, chemical and biological weapons?

We also know that all the information (more than enough to draw the conclusion that those who claim that religious fundamentalist terrorists will have nothing to do with secularist rulers like Saddam Hussein are gravely mistaken) that what we have been given from Secretary Powell is really only the tip of the iceberg.

Secretary Powell made sure to point this out at the UN a month ago, even though the US had to be sure not to compromise too much of its intelligence, which is so important in keeping track of all the weaponry the inspectors seem to have no clue exists.

We also know that the attention we have given to Iraq has not at all hindered the "War on Terror," as has been shown by the recent ar-

rest of high-ranking Al-Qaeda operative, Khalid Sheikh Mohammed.

Another common argument we hear from Anti-war propagandists is that the US is acting out of some kind of "imperialistic" concern about oil.

This is of course the most blatantly ridiculous and even idiotic assertion, and if you use this argument, you should hang your head in shame (Tara DellaFranza).

The most outspoken of the anti-war advocate nations, France and Russia, are the two countries with the most business agreements with Iraq over oil... wait, why don't they want Iraq to be disarmed again? It makes me wonder.

Of course I don't want there to be a war, and I don't believe there is anyone who really wants there to be a war. I actually have not decided yet whether or not I feel that this would be a just war, and I am certain that it should be treated as the last option, as which I do feel it is being treated.

As a Roman Catholic, I believe strongly in the doctrine of the "Just War." But peace activists should not be making ludicrous arguments like America is an imperialist nation, what they should be doing is raising questions like, "Is this worth risking the lives of innocent Iraqi civilians as well as American troops?"

-Joe Palkovic is a freshman political science major

Phrases of war time

Ted Rossini discusses the latest trend of war and what it means for us

One year ago we were all urged to continue shopping because if we didn't "The Terrorists Win." "The Terrorists Win," a simple three-word cliché that even sounds nice and makes you feel good.

"The Terrorists Win" even has a nice juxtaposition of evil, terrorists, and good winning.

It doesn't really tell you how spending money defeats terrorism. Doesn't tackle the issue what causes people to sacrifice themselves, and others in the name of a cause.

And it certainly has no clear definition. But its symbolism is what is important. It shows our triumph.

Because if those terrorists, who oppose freedom and apple pie, aren't winning, then we must be the winners.

But the days of getting to be a winner by simply spending money are over.

One year later we are now in a full war, and in times of war it is important to "Support Our Troops."

Yes, "Support Our Troops" is the feel good cliché this year. You can't turn on a television, or read a

newspaper, without seeing President Bush remind us of the importance to Support Our Troops.

Go online you'll see various Pop-up Ads and Spam e-mails with lists "Support Our Troops... Buy a T-shirt!" Today in class even I was reminded why it is important to "Support Our Troops."

But once again we simply found a cliché that has no substance and makes us feel good. "Support Our Troops" does not make you imagine the fear of people who don't know if the next bomb will kill them.

"Support Our Troops" will not make you wonder what goes through a person's mind as people they think are surrendering begin firing weapons at them.

And sadly, "Support Our Troops" will not in any way help you save the life of an Iraqi or an American... but at least it makes you feel better.

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-Ted Rossini is a sophomore psychology/sociology major

Operation protect freedom of speech

Since the War and Operation: Iraqi Freedom began, the rules on our beloved and sacred freedom of speech have changed. The first amendment applies for some but not for others.

There are several ways in which freedom of speech has changed.

Number one: Certain people can get up to a podium to address the country for 25 minutes and be inarticulate about the war as he speaks in metaphors he probably does not understand.

Documentarian and director Michael Moore thanked those who helped him with "Bowling for Columbine" and then wanted to use the remainder of the time explaining why he does documentaries, saying something like "I record reality. I live in a country with a fictitiously appointed president whose fighting a war for fictitious reasons. I do not support your war Mr. Bush!" The audience clapped for his Academy-award winning movie but then started booing and his suggesting he be stripped of his award for such unpatriotism. His last few words were inaudible due

to the Academy music playing for a few moments before going to a commercial break.

The next day, the headlines read "Moore-On" and "Don't Say Moore" as they bashed his words.

Number 2: You cannot say you are ashamed to be from the same state as the president without risking your bid's career. The Dixie Chicks' lead singer Natalie made some comment about being anti-war and in a way ashamed to be from the same state as the president who refuses to seek alternatives to war. Point of clarification, she did not yell fire in a crowded room, threaten his safety, or ruin his character. Yet for a few days after, all the media could talk about was how radio stations were considering banning their music from their channels. My dad was disappointed and shocked when their new hit "Travelin' Soldier" was played several times during the day while he worked in the garage.

Number 3: If you are from a country who is not siding with Bush and Blair, your music, no

matter how patriotic it is, should be banned from airplay. Some moron caller told the DJ that he was offended because the station played Celine Dion's "God Bless America" because she is French and they do not support the war. The DJ had to explain to the ignorant caller that she is French-Canadian, is very patriotic towards America, and has a lovely voice that is apparent in the song.

Number 4: You can take all the Civics classes and participate in all the Civil Disobedience workshops you want, but you can't put it into practice during school hours. The message: you can take all the tests and write all the papers on the subject you want, but you can't exercise your freedom of speech in a more hands-on fashion. Colleges are an exception to this this new version.

Why the hell are we silencing each other? I urge you not to let freedom of speech evolve into "freedom to turn a deaf ear on those whose opinions you do not agree with!" Write, sing, shout, be heard!

-Staci George is a senior communication major.

Reasons against Iraq war

Justin Reed examines the concern of war from a logical perspective

For all intents and purposes, the U.S. is now at war again. While we are bombarded with images, reports, press conferences, and radio talk shows espousing the evils of Saddam Hussein and his proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, it is easy to lose individual perspective and fall nervously in line with the Bush Administration's twenty-four-hours-a-day pitch for war with Iraq.

Yet, as educated Americans, it is our responsibility to inform the government of our opinions and direct our leaders to the actions we support, not vice versa, as has been happening recently. You may not feel that you play any role in government actions, or you may completely agree with the Bush Administration's policies in every possible way.

As well, you may not even care, but remember that what comes to pass in the coming months will dramatically affect you, people you love, and the brave persons that are serving our country.

Here are some ideas to consider:

** Is a war with Iraq necessary?* - The evidence presented by the Bush Administration of Saddam Hussein's evil has existed for nearly a decade. Why is it so important to invade now? The strategies put into place by the U.S. government since the Persian Gulf War in the early 90s have basically worked; Iraq's ability to attack others has weakened. Saddam Hussein is 65 years old. Let nature take care of him.

** Terrorism will increase.* - There are enough anti-American feelings in the world already. By invading Iraq unnecessarily, the Bush Administration will inflame anger against the U.S. and influence future terrorist acts. The CIA has stated there is an approximate 75% chance of terrorist attacks against the U.S. if an invasion of Iraq does occur. Isn't this war supposed to be about stopping terrorism?

** The war isn't about disarmament.* - If amassing weapons of mass destruction threatens world peace (which it does), why is the Bush Administration permitted to condemn Iraq, while at the same time negotiating with North Korea, and funding Israel's military juggernaut. These nations are also flagrant violators of UN resolutions and should be held to the same standard as Iraq.

** The war will hurt the economy.* - If the U.S. is at war, nobody will think about the economy--war is very distracting. Things are only going to get worse in the U.S. You think gas prices are high now? Check again in a few months.

** Nobody supports the war.* - Except Great Britain, of course. And that's just Prime

Minister Tony Blair. On February 15, roughly 10 million people across the globe took to the streets to protest this war. When Germany and France don't agree with you, you listen to them.

** The war is unethical.* - Iraq hasn't done anything to justify war yet. What we're being told is that someday Iraq may attack us, so we're going to kill a country that's 50% children and kill a lot of innocent people now just to make sure that that doesn't happen. That's not self-defense, that's aggression, and an unprovoked war is wrong.

** The government supports other dictators.* - Talk about real links to Al-Qaeda. Fifteen of the nineteen September 11th hijackers were from Saudi Arabia. Do we make an issue of that country's breeding of terrorists? Of course not, they sell us oil! Pakistan is another nation that breeds terrorism, yet we support their un-elected oppressive military dictator.

** The war will increase weapons proliferation across the globe.* - After seeing what the U.S. plans to do to Iraq, every "rogue nation" in the world is going to begin developing nuclear weapons to protect themselves from a pre-emptive U.S. attack.

** The war is for oil, not democracy.* - The U.S. government never cared that Saddam Hussein gassed his own people before. An issue was never made of the starvation the Iraqi people suffered as a result of U.S. economic sanctions throughout the 1990s. The Bush Administration wants to invade Iraq to secure oil resources, not to liberate the Iraqi people.

** The war is personal.* - When pressed to provide justification for a war against Iraq several months ago, President Bush centered on Saddam Hussein, saying, "After all, this is the guy who tried to kill my dad." U.S. troops should not be risking their lives for a glorified family grudge.

In the end, patriotism is about wanting the best for your country. That means telling your leaders what is really important for American national security. It is patriotic to not want American soldiers to die in a needless war. It is patriotic to not want anti-American terrorism to increase and damage our economy even more. Is it patriotic to support the bellicose war cries of wealthy old white men who have never fought in battle and never will? Whatever your opinion of this article may be, please think about the potential consequences of this war, before innocent lives are lost.

-Justin Reed is a senior political science major

Respect: Got Jim Crow?



Alright, so maybe the "politically correctness" of the 90s wasn't all bad.

In this post-90s age (we all knew it was only a matter of time...literally), we often dismiss the ethnic and racial sensitivity that was all the rage ten years ago as being too socially passive and altogether unnecessary. However, I have recently begun to think that we, as a society, could benefit greatly from a re-examination of that time in our culture.

Now, don't get me wrong: I have never been one for passive behavior or for in any way shielding one's true feelings, but I think "political correctness" is about far more than this. It is one thing to go out of your way to speak in a manner in which disguises your true beliefs (which is bad), it is quite another to have respect for those around you (which is, you guessed it, good).

Recently, I have noticed that we, as a campus community, don't really worry too much about respecting each other when it comes to humor and matter of good and bad taste. Of course, this is all entirely subjective, but the issue becomes more clear when we consider the mixed company we must keep on a small campus like ours. Perhaps, it is better if we all assume that no one will get the joke instead of our existing practice of assuming everyone will.

And besides, even if someone does get the joke, that doesn't make it funny. Think about the last joke you told someone: chances are, they were just humoring you if they laughed. Sorry that I had to be the one

to break it to you, but it's true.

Alright, that wasn't really all that funny within itself, so I'll return to my point.

My point is this: I was hanging out with a bunch of my friends the other day, and one of them told a story that, while I must admit was delivered quite efficiently, was, at its core, inordinately racist. I also must admit (and I truly hate to do that while I was amused by my friend's delivery of the joke, I was quite shocked that he felt this was an appropriate story to tell.

I suppose I should also mention that one of our black friends was subject to this joke at the same time I was, and that he clearly did not enjoy the experience, but such a fact is totally irrelevant.

What is relevant is this: somewhere, in the course of our time here at Western Maryland College, we have all somehow forgotten what it means to pursue not only a truly liberal arts education, but a truly educated mind as well. If we still feel that such jokes and stories can be told without causing some residual harm, then perhaps we need to examine whether or not we are getting what we paid for.

Then again, let me state that I really don't care what you all say (particularly of and about me), but I honestly think we need to reconsider our behavior and calibrate our good judgement if we are to ever be successful outside of school.

My friend, had he not been on campus among us, his predominately pacified, yuppie friends, he would have certainly received an ass-kicking. Sadly, that sort of thing doesn't go on around here, and if it did, I might feel my \$27,000 well spent.

-Michael Wiles is a senior English major

Poetry Corner

Never Trust The Pen

by Joann McKinney

Never trust the pen

It glides around

With lavish words

To draw you in

And spit you out

The pen has a one-tracked mind

It cares not who it hurts

Only that it gets what it wants

The pen deceives

And then it leaves

-Joann McKinney is a senior music major

Lately, the war has been on everyone's mind. The Commentary Editors would like you to know that we have done our best to seek out and represent a variety of opinions on this issue. If you would like to express your point of view on the war or any other issue, please contribute. Just drop your submissions on disk (in text format, please) to the front desk. We are also seeking submissions for next issue's poetry corner. Suggested topic: Spring. Questions? Call Tara at x8033.



Saluting Soldiers... Not War!!

JESSICA WATSON

Last issue, Jessica Watson's illustration (above) was misprinted. The Phoenix apologizes.

The Pottery Loft: Let your creative juices flow

Only moments away from campus, The Pottery Loft lets you explore your creative side



JEN JANOWICH

Customers come alone or with friends to paint and decorate a piece of pottery.

"Sitting there was so relaxing and peaceful. I was not thinking of anything other than perfecting my candleholder."

JEN JANOWICH
Staff Writer

My best friend and I were looking for something to do on a cold November day. I wanted to go to a place called "I Made This", in Frederick. It heard it was a fun place to paint pottery. A lot of my friends tried the whole "paint your

own pottery, and loved it. Not to mention the unique pottery they would come home with. We happened to stumble across a place called "The Pottery Loft", which is right on Main Street closer to the Pour House. It was advertised as a place similar to "I Made This." So, we decided to stop in and try it.

We were greeted by a warm smile, and the smile happened to belong to the owner. She was very welcoming and made sure we knew what we were about to do. Not only was her smile welcoming, but also the décor of her shop added to her warmth. She had opened only a few weeks before we decided to try it out. We were told to select a piece of pottery to paint and decorate. She had stencils, sponges, and books for ideas. We found a great spot right in front of the window, so we could watch the excitement of Main Street. It was a perfect day for what we were about to do.

I chose to paint a "wave plate", which is a large plate to put candles on. Sitting there was so relaxing and peaceful. I was not thinking of anything other than perfecting my candleholder. It was the greatest stress reliever I had experienced in a while. Not only was it relaxing, but extremely creative. I copied a design from one of her books, and I was very pleased with the result. I took a pencil and sketched my initials on the bottom of my plate. This allowed me to assure I would identify plate when I returned to pick it up. It takes a week to fire in the kiln. My plate was the "coolest thing" I had ever seen.

I was (am) so proud of it. The final product looked like it could be sold in stores. It was shiny, bright, and eye catching.

Not only was I pleased with my experience, but the price was even better. I paid a price for my pottery, and then added half the price for the studio fee. The coolest part was that I received a college discount of ten percent. I thought that was even better because many Westminster businesses do not take sympathy for us struggling college students. I was also informed that Thursday night is a ten percent discount is offered for "Ladies Night."

As we were getting ready to leave, Melissa, the owner, was asking us questions about McDaniel College and a little about us. I thought she added a great personal touch to our visit. She informed me that she feels a close connection with the college. She used to "blow off steam" by painting pottery when she was in college, and wanted other students to enjoy it. She felt that that addition of the pottery loft would help bring out the feeling of a true college town. She offers the college discount because she knows that college students are short on cash. I enjoyed myself so much, and have returned

numerous times. It is a great way to express your creativeness and to get away from your busy life.

The Pottery Loft adds a nice touch to our little college town. There was a need for something like the Pottery Loft. A place where you can come express your creativeness and relax. I had a great time at the Pottery Loft, and I always tell people how much fun I have there. I have gotten a few of my friends addicted to going there, along with myself.

With welcoming decor and a warm smile, this is the place for you to sit back and relax. You don't think about anything else, but painting pottery. A nice way to escape from studying and our busy lives. Stop into the Pottery Loft and bring a few friends, you will be sure to have a great time!

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Oh, what's that beautiful melody I hear on the hill?

Spring is in the air and the senior recitals are in full bloom across the McDaniel College campus

TARA DELLAFRANZIA
Assistant Commentary Editor

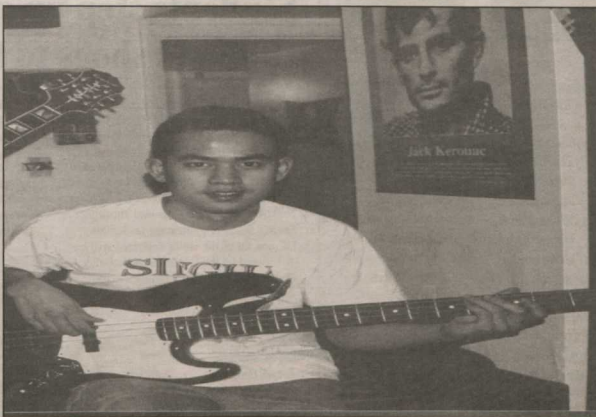
Being a music student brings with it the pleasure of giving something back to the college community and beyond. This spring, music students (mostly students completing their majors) will give senior recitals.

These recitals are taken very seriously by the music faculty and students. After taking many semesters of lessons, students must perform a one hour recital in the campus venue of their choice. Frequently, other music students and sometimes outside guests also participate in a student's senior recital. A recital also acts as a substitute for a senior seminar, and is often at least as difficult and requires a college career's worth of dedication and preparation.

After several semesters of lessons, students are already used to being judged and reviewed on their skills. The equivalent to a final exam for a music lesson involves a jury, in which the department faculty reviews and grades your performance.

With this experience behind them, senior music students must complete a preview, in which most or all of their music is to be prepared. Depending on the instrument, other requirements may be set.

For Joann McKinney, a soprano vocalist, other requirements in-



Bill Deavers and Chi Sukosi practice for their upcoming recital.

TARA DELLAFRANZIA

"After taking many semesters of lessons, students must perform a one hour recital in the campus venue of their choice."

clude performing repertoire in Italian, German, English, and French. McKinney, whose recital occurs on April 11th, must also perform in various styles such as baroque, classical, romantic, and modern. Joann is a student of Kyle Engler's

voice studio.

Her performance will specifically highlight a Mozart set which will include two duets. Mohindra Ramphal, whose recital takes place just two days later, will perform "La chi darem" with Joann. Joann

will also sing "Sui'aria" with Junior Kristen Geers.

Senior music students also participate in various ensembles as part of their majors and minors, however many exceed the required amount because they enjoy partici-

pating. McKinney sings in College Choir and the select Madrigals group, and also took band last semester and student conducted.

Bill Deavers, a guitar student of Tim Jenkins whose recital happens on May 2nd, has participated in several ensembles during his career at McDaniel ranging from brass ensemble to jazz ensemble. Deavers' recital will be purely jazz style and will feature "Blue Bossa," by Kenny Bormann.

While Deavers finds his lessons slightly more restricted than usual due to his recital requirements, his still finds time to be treasurer of Beta Alpha Chi, the campus music honors society. Deavers also participates in the campuswide famous band Room 402.

Bill Deavers' Room 402 bandmate, Chi Sukosi, also performed a recital on Friday the 28th of March. A bass student who likes to also play guitar, Chi prefers to spend his spare time sleeping, showering, eating, and playing indoor golf. Despite his many hobbies, Chi is still an accomplished bassist. If you missed his performance, you can still hear him at Bill Deavers' recital.

Whether you are looking to get more involved with the music programs McDaniel has to offer or are just looking to relax and get away from war coverage to the tune of a talented student, senior recitals display hours of study and dedication to a much loved art.



60 SECONDS

*What are your thoughts
on Affirmative Action?*

By: Tiffany Lee



TIFFANY LEE

"We should keep it because it promises and tries to provide equal opportunity. Not just for the majority but also the minority."

-Erica Wormley, 06'
Biology



TIFFANY LEE

"It ends up dividing more than enabling. It also penalizes white students instead of boosting minorities. Everybody should have equal rights, but not to fill a quota."

-Julia Keene, 04'
Biology



TIFFANY LEE

"It mainly helps out white females, so I don't understand how it's reverse discrimination. It's a small attempt to give all minorities equal opportunity, NOT special treatment."

-Krystal Allen, 05'
Sociology



TIFFANY LEE

"Affirmative Action should be kept because it not only helps minorities but women as well. Since racism does exist this is the only way to make sure that everything is fair."

-Lauri Gann, 04'
Communications



TIFFANY LEE

"Nobody really knows what it's about anymore. One argument says it gives minorities better jobs. This is not valid because it wasn't its original intent. The original intent was to have representation of the total population and promote equality."

-Pappy, 03'
Political Science/
Rhetoric



TIFFANY LEE

"It should be kept because it provides individual's with a way to speak out and make a change. This also makes laws more equal to everyone and brings issues forward that are no brought to attention."

-Tiffany Mack, 06'
Psychology

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Circle K recognized for 360° of improvement

KATIE MARTIN
Assistant News Editor

The McDaniel chapter of Circle K was dually recognized at the Circle K Governor's Banquet held on March 8th for improvements made by their organization this year. President Susan Lange represented Circle K.

The banquet was held in Williamsburg, VA, with an estimated 300-400 people in attendance. Lange said receiving the awards "gave the club a lot of recognition for the improvements we made and showed everyone we are a capable club in the services we perform."

The banquet was held in Williamsburg, VA, with an estimated 300-400 people in attendance. Circle K is an international service organization. Recognition came for the McDaniel chapter of Circle K after they increased once dwindling membership and organized numerous service activities in the Westminster and Baltimore area this year. Anyone interested in becoming involved with Circle K

can attend a meeting any Tuesday night at 9:00 pm in the Liedy Room.

Jubilee volunteers needed

KATIE MARTIN
Assistant News Editor

HYPE is still in need of volunteers for the Second Annual Jubilee to be held on Saturday, April 12th from noon to 4 pm. According to Jubilee Coordinator Steph Gulbin, students and organizations are needed to help set-up, clean-up, and man booths during the event. Set-up will begin around 10 am.

The Jubilee is a free event held on the corner of West Main Street and Union Street under the arch, with various activities for children and their parents. It is organized by HYPE as a community service project to unify the Westminster community with the McDaniel College Community.

Anyone interested in assisting is asked to contact Jubilee Coordinator Steph Gulbin at ext. 8228 or by e-mail at smg004@mcDaniel.edu, as soon as possible.

Students step up and out of their old shoes to help others

KATIE MARTIN
Assistant News Editor

What do a pair of Nike sneakers, black strappy shoes, blue sandals, and brown loafers have in common? These are all just a few of the 250 pairs of shoes donated by McDaniel College students for Unity's shoe drive during the week of March 24th-28th.

The drive was sponsored through the Saving Soles Organization in Washington, DC and all of the shoes collected will be distributed by the Coalition of Catholic Churches to people and families in the Washington area. Shoes were collected in boxes around campus throughout the week, with a culminating event on Friday, as Unity parked a purple Mercedes Eclipse in the middle of Red Square and played shoe related tunes such as Walkin' on Sunshine. These Boots Were Made for Me, and Get On Your Feet. They hoped to get students attention to make one final push for the donation of shoes.

This collection event was forced inside due to the rainy weather. However, students still came out to donate, a few bringing huge bags in hand. The next step for the members of Unity is to sort the shoes into men's and women's styles, band them together, and then deliver them to the Coalition of Catholic Churches.

Unity member Jackie Kellner said they chose to hold a shoe drive after considering events like an ice cream social or a clothing drive because "we wanted to make a difference in the bigger community. Shoelessness is a bigger problem than you think" she said. According to the Saving Soles website, there are large numbers of people in metropolitan areas and around the world that do not own a proper fitting pair of shoes.

Kellner explained "we felt like everybody has a ton of extra shoes that they don't have space for and donating them is easy, you are not giving up a ton really."

Unity is an eight-member affinity housing service group that is dedicated to its mission of helping unite the city of Westminster with the college campus, through activities such as the shoe drive. Other community service activities they participated in this year include, working with Westminster children



Rehearsals and sign tutoring underway for the next show

STAC GEORGE

Assistant Managing Editor

Besides the story of Helen Keller, name one play that brings together a cast of hearing and deaf actors in order to give those who can hear an insight on the lives and culture of those who can't.

"Children of a Lesser God" is one such an example, and it is McDaniel College's final production for this school year.

Written by Mark Medoff, this play was a Pulitzer-prize winner and the movie won and Oscar for Best Actress.

Paul Harrelson, director of Quest Productions and an interpreter, will direct his first McDaniel production.

He was recommended for the job when the first person Ira Domser and the theatre department contacted was unable to direct the show. A newcomer to the McDaniel Community, Harrelson first stepped foot on the campus during his first meeting with Domser.

After making his first commute from Capitol Hill where he lives, he wondered what he had gotten himself into with such a long commute. Then he added, "But now I have met so many wonderful people and have an excellent cast and crew. I now know that all the

driving is worthwhile."

Harrelson summarizes the main storyline: The play is about Sarah (portrayed by Bobbie Jo Duffy), a young deaf woman who during the course of the play discovers that she can do things and be something greater than she is now without losing her identity.

The play also focuses on James (portrayed by Andrew Pecararo), "a passionately committed speech teacher at a school for the deaf where Sarah works. He comes to realize over the course of the play that there are many ways to be successful, happy person in the world. And he doesn't have to insist that Sarah fit his vision of what a person should be," said Harrelson.

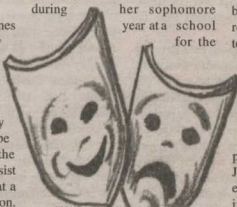
Bobbie Jo Duffy is glad to be playing the role of Sarah. She was invited to audition for the role because having a deaf person play the roll of a deaf person is different than having a hearing person portray that role and act like they are deaf.

Duffy briefly touched on the commonalities her and her character share. She says how ironic it is that both she and her character want to teach at a school for the deaf.

Duffy, a first-year graduate

student and "house manager" of the ASL house, is a 1997 graduate of Gallaudet University.

This is her first play at McDaniel College and her first experience with a hearing cast. Her previous roles include Belle in "Beauty and the Beast" during her sophomore year at a school for the



JESSICA WATSON

in western Pennsylvania.

As a graduate student at McDaniel, this is her first experience attending classes with deaf and hearing students. She admits to being a little apprehensive about auditioning for a play with four classes and other priorities.

At first she was afraid that her professors would disapprove because she may fall behind in her studies, but "I was surprised by

their positive reactions. Now they know more about me and that I can do well in a play."

"Honestly, I am very proud to be deaf. If I were hearing, I would be an actress. There are not many roles for the deaf unless the play is about a deaf person. Instead, I'd like to be a teacher. I'm sure there is a reason God made me deaf and I totally accept that," she commented in the final moments of her interview.

As for the viewpoints of a hearing cast member and her new role, freshman Katie Hickey's said portraying Lydia (a student of James') is unlike any role she has ever had before. Lydia is a hearing impaired girl who "wants very much to be accepted into the hearing world, believing that is what it takes to win James' heart and succeed in life," explained Hickey.

She calls it the most "involved role I've ever had."

"In addition to learning the basics like lines and blocking, I also have to learn my lines in ASL and acquire a 'deaf accent' with my speech. At first it was very overwhelming and I felt like I was in over my head. But after meeting with Abbey (the Sign Master), I felt

so much better; I realized all the learning involved with my role was going to be a lot of fun."

Besides rehearsals, Hickey and other cast members who have to learn how to sign meet with a tutor frequently to practice signing and learn their lines in sign language.

But this is only one difference from any other play. Harrelson says he is experimenting with captions projected onto the set for the dialog that is not signed on stage... We're not sure if it is going to work, but that is our goal. I want deaf audience members to be able to attend any performance they wish and still be able to understand the play."

Usually only one night's show is sign-interpreted, but with the projections, deaf audience members are not limited to what night they can attend.

The show runs Wednesday, April 23 through Saturday, April 26 at 8 p.m. in the Alumni Hall Understage. There may be a Sunday matinee added also. Contact the box office for more information.

Stay tuned to the Phoenix for more about "Children of a Lesser God."

REVIEW

Couples Only: How to Lose a Guy in Ten Days

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Romantic comedies frequently rank low on critics' lists of movies to see. Some see them as being too predictable, too forced, and sometimes too stupid. Others think that romantic comedies just aren't too funny.

Unlike some other romantic comedies that I have seen during my years of dating, "How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days" is funny.

I am not going to lie, however, and say that it is not predictable, because let's be honest, what romantic comedy isn't.

Generally, the format of a romantic comedy proceeds as follows: boy wants girl, boy gets girl, boy loses girl, boy gets girl again.

I won't pretend to ruin the film for you, because I am pretty sure that unless you are living under a rock, the ending will warrant no surprises.

The movie tells the story of Andie Anderson (Kate Hudson), who is a columnist for *Compuserp Magazine*. She writes "How To..." stories for the magazine, although she would rather tackle much more serious issues like politics and religion.

Her latest incarnation is a story

on how to get a guy to like her, then drive him away using all the tactics that women inadvertently use that scare men from commitment.

Her subject is Ben Barry (Matthew McConaughey), an advertising hotshot who has a bet going that he can get a woman to fall in love with him, so that he can land the next ad campaign.

Most of the movie is basically scene after scene of Andie attempting to drive Ben away, while Ben is always coming back for more.

The irony, of course, lies in the fact that both characters are unknowingly using one another in much different, yet strangely similar ways.

She takes over his bathroom and fills his cabinet with feminine hygiene products, buys a dog for two of them, throws in a few stuffed bears and some Carly Simon tunes for good measure, and ruins his weekly poker night.

The superlative is when she nicknames his private part "Princess Sophia." However, no matter what she does to lose him, Ben won't get lost. He just grins and bears it, again and again.

While the movie does get somewhat repetitive, there are enough humorous moments to keep you entertained. However, as I said, the movie is predictable, like all romantic com-



edies, so I think it is safe to say that most people will realize the ending. Getting to the ending is where all the fun lies in this movie.

Therefore, if you are looking for a good date movie, you really cannot go wrong with "How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days."

Better yet, turn the flick into an all out effort.

What red-blooded woman wouldn't want the opportunity to guy bash and relive some not so memorable dating experiences of her own?

Not only do you get the traditional romantic movie, but you also get the comedy. I mean what's bet-

ter than Andie buys a "love fern" for Ben, only to accuse him of letting their love die like the plant when he forgets to water it?

I have to say that even though this is a good date movie, for my money nothing can ever beat "Joe Versus the Volcano." If you're unwilling to take a chance of being disappointed by the sappy obviousness of this film, stick with a classic.

Combined Grade of: B

Edward Schulteis and Erin Romanski

SGA CORNER

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The SGA Academic Committee is hard at work developing new ideas that will benefit the students of McDaniel College. Currently, they are in the process of developing a GRE prep course to be available free of charge to every student next fall. There may be questions about the prep course should call Felicia Donelson at extension 8036.

The Academic Committee also hopes to reduce class size by next semester. They feel it is important to maintain a small student to teacher ratio in the classroom to allow the students to learn better. They also hope to enable students to register for their classes online in order to cancel out the endless lines and frustration that every student encounters while registering.

Finally, SGA just completed a survey to find out how students feel about the number of reading days the college allots before final exams. Once the results have been compiled, the committee will strive to adjust the schedule to the wants of the students.

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ALLIES: Where anyone can turn for help and support

JAY LEVY
Staff Writer

Want to go to a place free of fear and prejudice against your sexual orientation? Want a place to feel comfortable with yourself, and enjoy life with good friends?

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Allies is the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered, questioning and straight alliance group on campus. Here you will only find acceptance, no matter who you are. Allies isn't a group about being gay. It's an alliance for all those who want to support equal rights and respect for all members of the community.

"McDaniel College needs Allies," said Matthew McGowan, Allies president since December 1, "just like it needs the BSU and the Hispano-Latino Alliance. Most students here are local, and come from fairly conservative backgrounds. Most have never met a gay person before."

According to Allies' club constitution, the number one goal of the organization is "to educate the community with respect to differences in sexual orientation. Allies should encourage tolerance and diversity among all people." But are the members pursuing this one main goal?

Sexuality is a difficult subject to try to educate people about, said Dr. Robin Armstrong, associate professor of music, and Allies' faculty advisor. Aside from event programming, Allies has also run in-class presentations with issues including acceptance, tolerance and lifestyles.

The only problem with the in-class presentations, according to Dr. Armstrong, is the lack of experience of the presenters. McGowan hopes to address that by training a core group of Allies members to run the workshops.

"It's a good idea," Armstrong said, "it just could have gone better." Previous workshops have consisted mainly of individuals talking about issues and different subjects. The presentations went well and were received in a positive way, but more student participation and better questions for the presenters would have made for stronger programs.

"I agree," said McGowan, who, given more time to prepare, thinks that the presentations would have gone a lot better. McGowan was one of the in-class presenters who spoke before Dr. Vera Jakoby's philosophy class. "There simply wasn't enough

structure. We'll fix that, hopefully."

To remedy the structural problems of the class presentation, McGowan plans to develop a set of at least five pre-made presentations. Each workshop would cover a different issue, this as tolerance or gay rights, possibly even religion (though, McGowan noted, such is a difficult topic to address) and would consist of a speaker (or speakers), set activities, and questions from the audience.

McGowan said the reason he is developing the presentations into specific workshops is to help the professors get what they feel their class needs. The new format will give the group of presenters more time to prepare, and allow the students to have a better understanding when the presentation is over.

"It's one way to deal with the us/them attitude," McGowan said. "Our ultimate goal is acceptance on campus. Issues of sex [and

much drop the ball on classroom work; rather, the focus was on other programming. Last semester, Allies had co-sponsored a coffee house, had a "pot-luck" campus community dinner, celebrated Coming Out Day, had a trip to New York to see the Broadway show Rent, sponsored three trips to Baltimore clubs. A number of events are also being prepared for this spring semester.

"We try to go one event at a time," Roach said, smiling. "All of us in Allies are good friends, and we all work hard to get these campus events ready."

National Coming Out Day is every October 11th. Allies, however, spreads the idea of the day out through the entire month of October.

"Originally we just had events all week, instead of one day," Roach said, "but even that was a little much. So now we spread the activities through the whole month—

scream—ending the silence.

McGowan remembers organizing the Day of Silence at his high school for the 3 years that he headed the gay-straight alliance there. "There is something awesome about the national Day of Silence," McGowan said, "knowing that at least 3,000 other schools are doing the same thing. We even got faculty to remain silent."

Allies has never participated in the national Day of Silence before, so all members agree this will be one of their biggest events, symbolically if not logistically. Many students know of this remembrance day, but Allies is still trying to get the word out among students so April will be a success. "I haven't participated in anything yet," said sophomore Ted Rossini, a nominal Allies member, "but I know of the Day of Silence and am planning to be involved."

Allies hopes to get as many students—and faculty—included as possible. "The more people who remain silent, the more noticeable the silence is to everyone else," said Haines.

While the Day of Silence is symbolically big for Allies, the biggest outreach event the group has done was the aforementioned Rent trip on December 4th.

"Going to see Rent was a CAPBoard-sized outing," said Roach, "and Allies pulled it off nicely."

Rent, dubbed a rock opera by fans and critics, was written and scored in the early 1990s by Jonathan Larson, and became an overnight sensation when it opened in '96. The show deals with themes ranging from AIDS to sexuality, and even the destructive effects of hard drugs. Members of Allies not only enjoyed the play, but were interested in Rent as a way to help educate.

"The play itself was a good education tool," said sophomore Jessica Whitney, secretary of Allies. "It gave the non-Allies members who went on the trip a new look at the lifestyle through an entertaining medium." It seems that everyone who went on the Rent trip loved the actors' work and the play. It is something Allies intends to keep in its calendar of events.

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sexual orientation] shouldn't get in the way of everyone's equal rights." To facilitate discussion, Allies uses a set of guidelines from the Office of Multicultural Services that promotes "I think" statements and minimizes conflict.

"Overall, the workshops are a great way to get our message across to students," explained Steve Haines, president of Allies, who will be heading up the new curriculum development project. "And so many students really need to hear it."

Classroom workshops are not the only method practiced by Allies.

"Education is not just talking," said Armstrong. "We educate by doing—talk is cheap."

Allies holds many events and meetings in order to spread the word about the club, and to give members of the campus community exposure to the group and its members. "We slacked on formal education this year," said Stacey Roach, a former president. She feels, however, that the club didn't so

"October" we like to call it."

In the past, Allies has had a day of silence on October 12th to remember Matthew Shepard, a gay college student beaten to death in 1998 because of his sexuality. However, Roach and McGowan thought this year's day of silence should coincide with the national Day of Silence on April 9th.

The Day of Silence began in 1996 as a remembrance of all those who have been silenced by prejudice and hate. It was started by New England college students, and today is observed at 3,500 high schools and colleges nationwide. Participants do not speak between the hours of 8 am and 5 pm, handing out cards explaining that they remain silent to show support for all people silenced by prejudice and oppression. At the end of the day at many schools, students gather in a public place and

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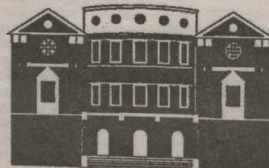
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Sports Column: Craig Johnson asks "Say it ain't so, Gary?"

Say it ain't so Gary, say it ain't so. Defending national champions University of Maryland, led by head coach Gary Williams, have officially been eliminated from this year's NCAA men's basketball tournament, missing out on an opportunity to go down in history as one of the few programs to win back-to-back championships.

But after losing a heartbreaker to Michigan State last Friday night by a score of 68-66, the Terps did more than just end their reign as national champions.....they ended my year of bragging, boasting, taunting, and flaunting the fact that my team, a school that everyone in my family besides me has attended, were the best in the land.

Here are some of my favorite memories from the past 12 months, brought to me courtesy of Juan Dixon, Lonny Baxter, and the rest of the 2001-2 Maryland Terps basketball team.

1. Dealing with Yankee fans. For the first time in a long time, I was able to say that one of my teams won a title, and the Yankees, the most loved (not around here) and hated (yup) team in all of sports did not.

Of course, I owe a lot of the credit here to the Anaheim Angels, who bounced the Yankees from the playoffs on their way to a World Series title. And granted it was not in the same sport where the Terps found glory. But for one brief shin-

ing moment, I actually had something to brag about to Yankee fans (since the Orioles are still "rebuilding"). And it felt good; real good.

2. The recognition.

Wherever I went, no matter what state, wearing Maryland gear always seemed to elicit a comment about the national championship success.

These comments ranged from very positive (i.e. "They deserved to win that one, they had a real nice team") to negative (i.e. "They got lucky. I hate Maryland") to the absolutely absurd (i.e. "Duke should have won")

Traveling to other parts of the country, you find out that people don't really know a whole lot about our state, other than we have good crab cakes.

But winning a national championship really put College Park on the map and in the minds of people around the country, boosting recruiting and attracting a larger fan base.

Now if we can just get them to understand that a terrapin is just a fancy word for a turtle.

3. The women. All right this is a lie. Being a Maryland fan didn't get me any more women.....maybe in a perfect world.

And last but not least....

4. Knowing that Duke didn't win the title.

This one stems back to Shane Battier, Elton Brand, Trajan Langdon, and all other past Duke players who squashed the dreams of Maryland fans on a number of occasions.

It seems that over the past decade Duke has turned into a basketball factory that brings in handfuls of McDonald's High School All-Americans, and sends them away with ACC championships.

Being in the same conference, we as Maryland fans are constantly aware of Duke's presence, constantly subjected to hearing about all their successes, streaks, and accomplishments.

And every year we are told that they are the team the beat.

Last year was no different, except for one minor detail. The team left standing at the end could not be found on Tobacco Road....they were right in our own back yard.

So while the afterglow of the national championship may have faded out, the future still looks bright for the University of Maryland men's basketball team.

With arguably the strongest recruiting class in the country coming to College Park next fall, my taunting days may be on temporary hiatus....but they are not over.

Phoenix Sports Trivia

1. Who is the only NBA player to order takeout on the bench during a game?
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3. Who is the only major league baseball player to reach base in 74 consecutive games?
4. Who is the only manager in Major league baseball history to lose a game because his team ran out of baseballs?
5. Who is the only Major league baseball player to hit his one big league home run off his brother?
6. Who is the only shortstop in Major league baseball history to commit 6 errors in a single game?
7. Who is the player with the most rebounds (34) in an Men's Division one NCAA Tournament game?
8. Who is the player with the most points (61) in a single NCAA Tournament game?

McDaniel Women's Lax off to a tough start in early season play

DIRK SAMPSELLE
Staff writer

The winless women's Green Terror lacross team returned nine starters for the 2003 season and has posted some difficult losses in their first four games of the season.

Most recently, the Terror suffered a 17-6 beating from the undefeated Shorewomen of Washington while playing away in Chestertown, MD the 26 of March.

The Shorewomen ran-off seven straight goals in the first quarter, bringing their lead to a nearly un-reachable level.

Liz Sexton, Sara Thomas, and Heather Nichols each recorded a pair of goals in the game, while freshman Caitilin Schellhorn posted her first two assists of her collegiate career.

The 13 of March, McDaniel fell 13-4 to the Skidmore Thoroughbreds.

The Thoroughbreds quickly mounted a 8 goal scoring streak, and lead 10-1 at the half.

For McDaniel, Lindsay Ricks, Tracy Kessler, Heidi Hurtt, and Tara Smith each scored one goal, with Smith also tallying an assist.

In goal for the Green Terror, Lindsay O'Steen recorded 12 saves after being peppered with 39 shots, 25 of which were on goal.

On March 20, after trailing 12-6 at halftime, the McDaniel College women's lacrosse team cut Wellsley College's lead to 14-12 with 16:06 remaining in the game after Tracy Kessler scored her fourth goal of the half, but the Green Terror could not manage a goal the rest of the game, eventually falling 18-12.

Kessler lead the team with her four goals while Sara Thomas contributed a goal and two assists, Kim Lowry recorded 3 goals and two assists.

Kristin Ramey, Heather Sisman, Lindsay Ricks, and Caitilin Schellhorn each scored one goal.

In one of McDaniel's best showings for the season, the Terrors fell 9-7 against Goucher College after taking the lead at the half 6-4.

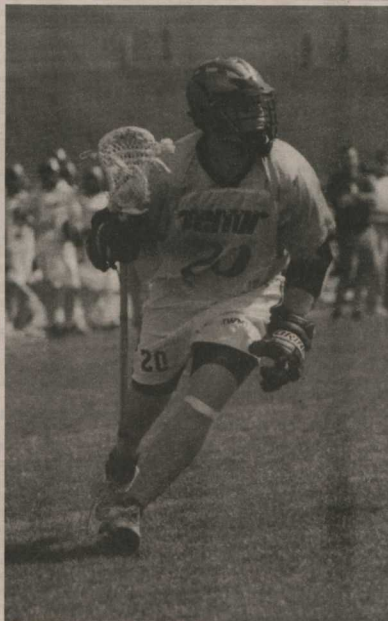
Tracy Kessler and Sara Thomas each netted a pair of goals for McDaniel, but the team was

outscored 5-1 in the second half, leaving them in the dust at the final whistle.

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Sophomore Justin Merson looks to get into the action.

DAVID SINCLAIR

Ed Schulthesis American League Baseball Preview

Each year, EA Sports simulates the upcoming baseball season using their latest video game incarnation. This time, using the recently released MVP Baseball 2003, they predicted a surprising winner for the season.

Unexpectedly, the Toronto Blue Jays took home the trophy after beating the Houston Astros in the World Series. For one, I do not believe the Jays are going to make it to the series this year.

Secondly, I see this season being a rather pedestrian one in the American League. So let's get to it, and we'll find out who is still standing come October.

AMERICAN LEAGUE EAST:

In the ALE, the Yankees are once again the perennial favorites. In fact, barring any surprising turn of events, the east looks like it will finish the exact same way it has the past 4 years. Yankees, Red Sox, Blue Jays, Orioles, and the Devil Rays, in that exact order.

The Yankees look to continue their dominance of the east thanks to ability to spend more money on players than any other team in the league. During the off-season, they managed to sign Japanese slugger Hideki Matsui, Cuban pitching sensation Jose Contreras, and a few more players to their arsenal. They coupled with the already solid pitching staff and powerful lineup should lead the Yanks to yet another ALE crown—that is if the tabloid fodder does not rip the team's chemistry apart.

Boston, who has not won the World Series since 1918 probably will not be winning it this year either. Yes, they have Pedro Martinez, Manny Ramirez, and Nomar Garciaparra, but can the rest of team pick up some slack? Can Derek Lowe follow up on his success from last season, or was it just a fluke? These are some of the questions that management will be asking this season. Boston is a good team, but they just cannot play consistently good baseball for the entire season, which will land them in second place again.

The Blue Jays could be the surprising team of 2003. Roy Halladay, Eric Hinske, Carlos Delgado, and Vernon Wells lead a group of youngsters in Toronto. Hinske, last year's Rookie of the Year, looks to continue his success along with a talented squad of kids up north. The largest question will be the pitching staff. After Halladay and Cory Lidle, the team has no other proven starting pitcher. If the team catches some breaks during the season and gets lucky, it may be possible to see them in the wild card spot come October.

Bringing up the rear in the east will be Baltimore and Tampa Bay. The Orioles picked up some free agents during the off-season, but this team is too young, is too inconsistent, and strikes out way too much to have a shot. They may have a shot in a couple years, and they definitely have the money to shop a bit more for some big name players.

Tampa, even with the addition of manager Lou Piniella, will be in the cellar again. With such low attendance totals, it is hard for the team to make serious roster updates and to be honest, there isn't much for the fans in Tampa to see, at least not until

this wayward franchise is turned around.

AMERICAN LEAGUE CENTRAL:

In the ALC, Minnesota looks as if they will continue their string of recent success with another divisional crown.

The White Sox do have a chance at vying for the pole position in the central, but inconsistency has been their downfall, and this year should be no exception. The rest of the central will duke it out for the rest of the positions.

The Twins start this season with pretty much the same company as last year. With mainstays Torii Hunter, Brad Radke and Doug Mientkiewicz and recently added Kenny Rogers, the Twinkies are looking at another solid year in the Metrodome.

The White Sox cannot seem to break through the ceiling. First, they were second fiddle to the Indians in the late 90s, now they are trapped behind the Twins. Chicago probably has the most potent lineup in the division and on paper, their pitching staff looks well off with pitchers Mark Buehrle, Bartolo Colon, and closer Billy Koch. However, I think that once again the White Sox are going to disappoint their fans again this year because of their inconsistent play and the fact that the Twins are just going to outplay them.

Cleveland has all but fallen from their seat of power in the Central division. The team is undergoing a youth movement and both the pitching staff and lineup have question marks riddled throughout. A few bright spots they have are Omar Visquel, their decent outfield, and hard throwing pitchers, but look for the Indians to be in the middle of the pack this season.

Sorry to say, but you can place the other two teams, the Detroit Tigers and the Kansas City Royals in the "Does anyone care category?" The starting rotation of KC has an aggregate 21 career victories, but Mike Sweeney should put up good numbers for the season, even if the team will not finish anywhere near .500.

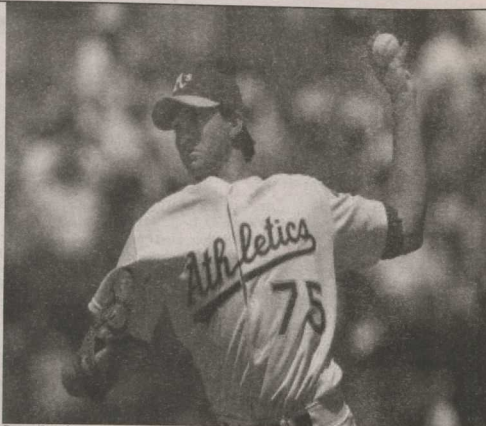
Detroit decided to pass up on any veterans during free agency, and with a team as young as they are, look for many mistakes in Detroit, and a lot of empty seats in Comerica Park. The Tigers and the Royals will be fighting to stay out of the cellar.

AMERICAN LEAGUE WEST:

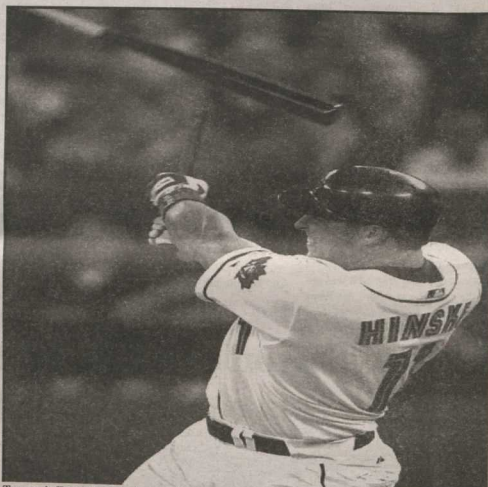
In possibly the most exciting division in the American League, each team seems to have an equal chance of winning the west. With Anaheim trying to defend its crown, I do not see them being able to win the division, but more likely the wild card.

Oakland looks like it has the best chance to win in the west. With Tim Lincecum, Barry Zito, and Mark Mulder leading the pitching staff for the A's, and with a solid lineup featuring Miguel Tejada and Erubiel Durazo, looks ready to repeat. Expect a lot from Tejada especially since this is his last season before free agency. The only question mark is in the outfield, but the team may be aided by acquisition Ron Gant.

The Seattle Mariners had a good season last year, but not good enough to make the



Barry Zito, last year's AL Cy Young award winner will try to lead the Athletics to the AL West Crown in 2003.



Toronto's Eric Hinske's shatters his bat. He was the AL rookie of the year last season.

postseason. Look for them to try to regain first in the west, but with questions regarding the health and performance of some of the starters, including Freddy Garcia, and their closer Kaz Sasaki, they may have a problem surpassing the A's. The addition of Randy Winn will up the steal totals for the Mariners, and Ichiro Suzuki always gives 100%, so there is a chance if Seattle is lucky to finish in first, or with the wild card.

Anaheim, the 2002 World Champions, have pretty much the same lineup and staff as last year, but to repeat, they are going to have to get some breaks this year—namely staying healthy.

The Texas Rangers, with the most expensive player in baseball, looks to improve on their last place finish. With sluggers Alex Rodriguez, Rafael Palmeiro, and Juan Gonzalez, the Rangers can sure put up big numbers on the board. However, their pitching staff will give up a huge number as well.

One player to look at may be Mark Teixeira, the Rangers' 3B, who if given a chance to play could very well put up some

big-league numbers and may contend for the Rookie-of-the-Year. Unless the Rangers' pitching staff can keep the runs down, no amount of offense will be able to offset the deficit. If the team does pitch better they can definitely content in the west though.

East Champions: New York Yankees

Central Champions: Minnesota Twins

West Champions: Oakland Athletics

Wild Card: Boston Red Sox (possibly Toronto Blue Jays, or Seattle Mariners)

Baseball team follows stint in Florida, with solid showing in Conference play

GREG LEDERER

Sports Editor

Following a 7 game stint in Florida (4-3 record), the McDaniel College baseball team set their sights on the Centennial Conference schedule.

Most recently, the team hosted conference foe, Haverford College for a double header on March 29th.

In the first game, the Green Terror struck first when junior shortstop Ryan Sholtzberger connected for a leadoff home run to give the team the early advantage.

Unfortunately for McDaniel, the team wouldn't score again as Haverford's Tim McLean shut down the Green Terror offense and rallied from behind to score three runs and take a 3-1 victory.

The loss dampened the performance of McDaniel junior right-hander Dave Skoczlas who struck out ten opposing batters and yielded only five hits, but was credited with the loss.

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In the nightcap, the Green Terror rallied to pick up a come from behind 4-3 victory.

The team got off to a sluggish start when Haverford jumped off to a 3-0 lead in the first inning, but senior pitcher Jeff Starcher settled down and shut down the opposition as the Green Terror started to chip away at the lead.

The comeback began when the team scored a single run in the fourth inning to decrease the lead to two, and then made their move in the seventh inning, when they plated three runs, culminated by a base loaded single from senior outfielder Kevin Kozak.

The victory improved the team's record to 7-4 overall, 2-1 in the Centennial conference.

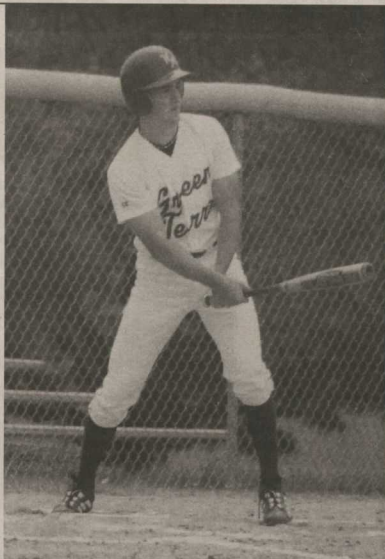
On March 25, the team hosted the winless Washington College

Shoreman in their home opener. The Green Terror used a potent offense and strong pitching from senior right-hander Mike Geaneas to cruise to a 9-3 victory.

From that start, Geaneas was in control, striking out the first three men he faced, and continued for six innings, yielding only one hit to the opposition.

The offensive production began early as the McDaniel plated four runs in the first inning, and four more in the fourth to take the win. Senior designated hitter Todd Huber had three hits and 3 RBIs to lead the team.

The team looks forward to the bulk of the conference schedule in their pursuit of the Conference Championship.



Senior Mike Geaneas is lethal on the mound and at the plate.

DAVID SINCLAIR

Baseball results from
Cocoa Beach, FL

March 15th
against Simpson
12-2 W

March 16th
against Oneonta
2-3 L

March 16th
against Baker Uni.
9-5 W

March 17th
against Richard
Stockton
5-4 W

March 18th
against FDU
Madison
5-2 W

March 19th
against Pikeville
College (KY)
9-13 L

March 21th
against Oneonta
4-8 L

Marquette Coach fighting for more than a National Championship

RYAN BROD

Assistant Sports Editor

The Marquette Golden Eagles men's basketball team is making its first Final Four appearance in nearly three decades.

With a decisive win over heavily favored Kentucky, the Eagles will meet Kansas in the national semifinal game in New Orleans.

But more amazing than the team's magical run in the NCAA tournament is the story of special assistant Trey Schwab.

Schwab, who sits alongside the players on the Marquette bench, was diagnosed recently with idiopathic pulmonary fibrosis: a rare form of lung disease that severely impairs one's breathing ability.

There is no known cure for the disease, only the hope that the coach will receive a transplant in due time.

But, as the coach bluntly stated, "The sad reality is that a lot of folks who were ahead of me [for transplants] didn't make it."

Meanwhile, Schwab remains on the Marquette sideline, with a private plane aat each game in case a donor lung becomes available.

During games, the coach is equipped with supplemental oxygen on the team bench, but still is very much involved with the coaching staff.

In light of the recent scandals in the college basketball world (i.e. Villanova, Georgia), it is refreshing to hear about such a courageous story.

Although Schwab is faced with tremendous odds everyday and although there remains the ominous fact that his disease has not yet been cured, he is still present on the Marquette bench at tip-off. Talk about inspiration.

When the Golden Eagles take the floor in New Orleans, they will be fighting for respect and a place in the college basketball record books.

But special assistant Trey Schwab will be fighting for his life: the ultimate prize.

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Tennis squads looking to begin a winning tradition in 2003

GREG LEDERER

Sports Editor

For the McDaniel College Tennis program, the 2002 campaign was a forgettable season as both squads completed play winless and frustrated.

Instead of feeling doomed by the past, the teams are focused on the 2003 schedule and a chance for redemption and respect in the Centennial Conference.

In the Men's opening match of the season, the Green Terror hosted conference foe, Ursinus College on March 23rd.

Behind the home crowd, the team was inspired and swept the first five positions, in route to a 4-3 victory.

Junior number one player Scott Mahoney defeated his opponent, Jeremy Landis by a score of 7-6, 6-1 and senior Dave Johnson picked up the victory over Chris Fox by a score of 7-6, 6-0.

Other McDaniel winners were Ben Deneberg, Aaron Taylor, and Craig Johnson.

The pairings of Mahoney, Johnson and Deneberg, Taylor also picked up victories in doubles. The victory already doubled the team's win total of last year.

On the Women's side, the squad didn't have the same luck, as they were swept by Ursinus 9-0.

The inexperienced Green Terror lineup had trouble with the more battle tested bears. Number

one player Shannon Pussy fell to Ursinus's Courtney Root by a score of 6-2, 6-2, and freshman Danny Magid fell to Katy Butler by a count of 6-3, 6-3.

The Women's squad looked to get back on the winning track when they hosted conference opponent, Dickinson College.

It was another tough match for the Green Terror, as they fell again by a score of 9-0.

The Men's team took on Dickinson College on March 26th. The squad struggled and eventually lost the contest 7-1 to the Red Devils.

The lone scorer for McDaniel was freshman Aaron Taylor who picked up a come from behind victory at the number 4 position over Dickinson's Ian Richman.

Taylor lost the first set 6-3, but rebounded to take the second set 6-3, forcing a tie breaker that he won 10-3.

The win kept the freshman perfect for the season this far.

The next day, the Men's squad ventured on the road to take on Elizabethtown College in an non-conference match-up.

The Green Terror fell again on the road 8-1, with Taylor continuing his strong play, picking up a straight set victory over Elizabethtown's Andy Borzok 6-3, 6-2.

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Men's Lacrosse remains perfect under new head coach

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Staff writer

The undefeated Green Terror lacrosse team is on the path to a division title under new coach Jim Townsend. He holds two trips to the NCAA playoffs under his belt with his previous Rensselaer Polytechnic team.

The Terrors posted their sixth win of the season against the Dickinson Red Devils on 26 of March. Justin Merson of New Windsor MD scored the Terrors a hat trick, netting his first only 1:12 into the game.

McDaniel quickly netted two more before Dickinson had even gained possession. Dickinson was down by five before they could answer the Terrors.

Rob Weavers five assists helped bring Dickinson down to just below .500, with a 3-4 record on the season.

McDaniel travelled to Kings Point, NY to battle USMMA on 22 of March. In the blowout, nine different McDaniel players scored in the first half alone, which ended with a score of 11-2.

Overall, the Terrors won 13 faceoffs to the Merchant Marines.

On March 19, McDaniel beat-out Haverford College in another

near blowout, 18-3. Assisting on six goals and scoring two for himself, Rob Weaver aided the team in their explosive first- quarter run.

The team had netted three goals with over 11 minutes remaining in the quarter. Fords goalkeeper John Michal was kept active, making 16 saves on the day his team was outshot 47-19 by theTerrors.

Denison College provided the team's closest competition on the season, holding the Terrors to a win by only three goals, and lost 7-4.

McDaniel goalkeeper Mike Korba was ice when the heat was on in the fourth quarter and the Terrors held only a one goal lead. He made four of his 15 stops early that quarter to keep the Big Red's attack from the perimeter at bay.

In a nailbiter non-league win over Messiah College, McDaniel increased their 4-3 halftime lead when Pete Schaffer sparked a scoring streak with his goal early in the third quarter.

However, Messiah answered later in the quarter with a hat trick from Jono Linebaugh, but were still unable to close the gap for a victory.

All-American Joe Ellis lead McDaniel in scoring with three goals for himself.



Men's lax star Rob Weaver has been an integral player in the team's early success

DAVID SINCLAIR

Phoenix
Sports
Schedule

Baseball
Gettysburg
April 4th
3:00 pm

Men's Lacrosse
Muhlenberg
April 5th
3:30 pm

Women's Lacrosse
College of Notre
Dame
April 3rd
4:00 pm

Softball
Washington
April 5th
1:00 pm

Track and Field
@Gettysburg
Inv.
April 5th

Men's Tennis
@Haverford
April 5th
1:00 pm

Women's Tennis
@Haverford
April 5th

Men's Golf
@Elizabethtown
Inv.
April 9th

Women's Golf
@Gettysburg Inv.
April 5th



Junior Heather Sinclair is "Safe."

DAVID SINCLAIR

Softball team looking toward another strong season.

CRAIG JOHNSON
Staff writer

After a long period filled with frigid winds and snow-covered fields, the bats of the defending conference champion McDaniel College softball team are starting to heat up.

The season got off to a rather slow start for the Terror at the East Coast Collegiate Classic in Roanoke, VA.

The team compiled a 2-3 record during their stay, splitting a series with Marietta College and dropping two games to Bridgewater College (VA).

However, the final game of the two-day event saw the Terror offense rise to the occasion to defeat North Carolina Wesleyan by a score of 5-0. This momentum carried over to last Thursday for the inaugural game of the newly constructed softball field on the McDaniel College campus.

From the opening pitch, thrown out by Dean of Admissions Marty O'Connell, the Green Terror took control against visiting Villa Julie College. Starting pitchers Sam Abrams and Kim Camponelli each allowed just one hit apiece as McDaniel posted back-to-back 8-0 victories.

Abrams struck out five batters in the opener, which was high-

lighted by a grand slam in the second inning by third baseman Candi Kuligowski.

The Terror scored two more runs in the inning to jump out to a commanding lead, and went on to an easy victory via the mercy rule in the fifth inning.

The second game marked an equally impressive showing by McDaniel, as Camponelli struck out seven batters. She also added a homerun, the first of her career, to go along with second baseman Kristin Barrickis shot in the second inning.

A four-run fourth inning allowed the Terror to emerge with an easy victory, completing the sweep of the Mustangs.

"Things got off to a rocky start," says Camponelli. "But I think we have got things headed in the right direction now."

A double-header contest scheduled for yesterday at Ursinus College was postponed due to inclement weather. The team returns to Centennial Conference play at home on April 1st against Franklin and Marshall College.

After outscoring their opponents by a combined 21-0 in the last three games, it appears Coach Dix has the Terror bats rolling. If only the snow clouds could do the same thing.



Students run into changes at class registration

New process and new time changes for some fall 2003 classes

TATA DELLAFRANZIA
Commentary Editor

Lisa Taylor, who will return as a senior in the fall, arrived at the Forum exactly at her registration time.

While she was glad that she did not have to wait in a line at all, other problems soon arose.

This year, the Office of the Registrar sent out memos with times on a separate sheet of paper rather than on the sheet that students use to fill in their class choices and times.

Students registered for classes on Monday, April 7th.

While much of registration day ran as well as usual, there were some issues that impacted students registering for fall classes.

According to Taylor, many students arrived at registration with only their class information sheets, and were sent away until they could return with the other sheet that included their registration times.

Although Taylor remained calm during the registration process, she attributed her grace to being experienced at the process.

However, she stated, "I think this year was the worst year at registration," noting that it was particularly disorganized.

Taylor also mentioned the Tuesday/Thursday class meeting time change. This affected her schedule, but did not create any class conflicts. However, it created general confusion among registering students.

While students observed many points of disorganization, the Registrar's office did keep a run-



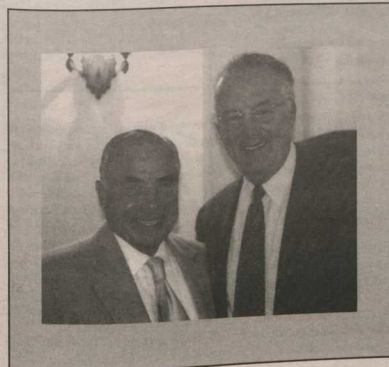
ning list of canceled classes outside the forum door as usual, and an efficiently updated list of changes on the school's website.

While the Office of the Registrar is frequently blamed for registration mishaps, it is clear that other avenues may be considered for improving the registration process.

McDaniel students also had comments about how the registration process could be made easier, before the actual day of registration arrives for a student.

Lisa Taylor, who used to live in Honors housing, commented that living with upperclassmen helped

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Senator Sarbanes discusses economics at annual Resnick Lecture

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The McDaniel Community welcomed U.S. Senator Paul S. Sarbanes to campus on Tuesday, April 8 with dinner at the President's house and then a lecture in McDaniel Lounge.

The program stated that, "Sen. Sarbanes will discuss how the legislature can respond to the current economic situation when he visits McDaniel College" for the 4th Annual Resnick Lecture.

Sarbanes is a Democrat and native of Salisbury, MD. In 2000, he made Maryland history when elected to his 5th term as a U.S. Senator. He is the son of Greek immigrants and brother of a McDaniel B.A. recipient as well as Masters' recipient here on the Hill.

The lecture series is named for Alleck A. Resnick, "a distinguished Baltimore lawyer, respected philanthropist, and dedicated communal leader in Jewish educational and civic affairs," states the program. He is also a life member of the Board of Trustees.

Sarbanes gave a lengthy speech on economics and talked about what had happened in the Senate as they dealt with all Enron, WorldCom, and all the other big companies with shady accounting practices.

He alluded to the fact that "events dominate where the agenda goes. For example, Enron's fold-

ing is one event that set the agenda" several times in his speech.

In his speech, he addressed two problems identified with the statutory framework for these larger companies.

First, there is an inaccurate oversight of the accountants, Peer reviews were established so one accountant could keep an eye on another one, and sort of keep each other in check and hold them accountable for faulty accounting. However, peers were afraid to tattle on each other regarding this violation of the "honor code-like" policy.

Second, there is a lack of accountant independence. That is, there are a small number of accountants representing a large number of clients. With fewer clients, the accountants need to make money some how, even if it means not being accountable or not acting independently when the client asks you to do something unethical.

Looking around the room, there were definitely some puzzled looks by people who could care less about economics, especially at this time with war going on.

"It was disappointing that the topic was so far from what's going on at this time in history, especially with an excellent Senator who could have addressed more pressing issues," said Dr. Christianna

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Peace picnics and vigils continue to be held on campus

STACY GEORGE
Assistant Commentary Editor

During a beautiful spring day with the sun shining and a beautiful blue sky above, about 40 students, faculty, and community members gathered for a Peace Picnic.

A week later, about 10 people came together for a prayer vigil in Ensor Lounge on a rainy, cold night.

No matter what the weather, these people want peace or the opportunity to exchange information through extemporaneous comments or thoughts, prepared poems, borrowed or original song lyrics, or quoting someone else's words.

Organized by a group of McDaniel students and faculty, the Peace Picnic on Thursday, April 3 and the Prayer Vigil (which actually turned into an informal and free-flowing discussion) on Wednesday, April 9, are forums for the McDaniel and Carroll County communities to come together and voice what's on their minds.

Eric Whitehair, as he got ready to play guitar and sing a song like Woody Guthrie's "This Land is Your Land," said that events like

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Student/Donor Scholarship Luncheon a success

STACI GEORGE
Assistant Commentary Editor

To date, the largest group of student scholarship recipients and scholarship donors were able to meet and converse with one another during a recent luncheon held in the Forum.

Members of the McDaniel College administration welcomed trustees, scholarship donors, and student scholarship recipients to the annual scholarship luncheon on Sunday, April 13, 2003.

As guests arrived, they mingled with one another and exchanged stories of time spent on the Hill.

In the background, McDaniel sophomore and violinist Sally Penner played a variety of tunes. Penner, who has been playing the violin for 15 years, began at age four and plays at campus events on frequent occasions. Later, Kief thanked Penner for playing and noted that this was something like event number four he's been at this weekend where she has been the violinist.

In his speech after lunch, Richard Kief, Vice President for Institutional Advancement at McDaniel College, noted that this event is a "Celebration of our current scholarships and the rewards of philanthropy."

Kief made note of several things that have occurred lately.

He mentioned to building of three North Village buildings that are complete and have residents, one that is under construction, and one whose construction will begin soon.

Next, he discussed the comprehensive master plan of campus that examines what sort of academic and residential buildings will be needed, how to expand parking, and how to identify the campus' boundaries.

His third address concerned the students themselves.

He congratulated the 39 McDaniel seniors who have been selected for the 2003 publication of Who's Who Among College Students, thanked the number of students who have provided free tax preparation help through the VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) program; and he called attention to first time students participated in a special lobbying effort in Annapolis.

His speech also included an commencement on May 24, where 760 B.A. and Masters recipients will receive diplomas, McDaniel College as one of 40 Colleges that Change Lives, and the high percentage of students who receive some sort of financial aid.

He said that 85% of students receive financial aid.

According to Debbie Leazer, assistant director of donor relations and coordinator of the annual scholarship luncheon, 246 students receive an endowed scholarship and 70 were in attendance.

Those students who have a living donor

(those scholarships that are not established through wills and estates ordinarily are not invited) are invited to luncheon.

As a former student, Provost Sam Case, class of 1963, understands the importance of financial aid.

Said President Joan Coley in her speech: Giving money to the student scholarships is a very beneficial thing. Scholarships recognize their academic [achievement] and personal development."

Before Coley introduced each scholarship and its honored donor, she informed the audience that nine new endowed scholarships have been added since last year, including the Mann Family Scholarship, which is awarded to a graduate student in the human management program.

After Coley, senior Mary Muro, student assistant in the Development Office, gave a speech on behalf of the students at McDaniel, where she admitted that it was hard for her to believe that commencement is right around the corner and that graduation is a scary concept to imagine despite knowing that she will leave college very well prepared.

Muro spoke of her many collegiate endeavors and participation in several groups and honor society.

But she spoke the highest of her semester spent at the McDaniel College Budapest campus and how come to understand that "the world is your classroom" and that what she learned abroad could not be taught in any single textbook.

The consensus regarding the day's event is that it is a wonderful opportunity for the students and the donors to meet one another, as well as an event where one is able to catch up on what's going on on the Hill."

Christine Royer, donor of the Jesse C. and Ruth H. Royer Scholarship Fund, and class of 1948 commented.

"This is always a very special event because it brings together many people who care deeply about this college and it provides the opportunity to meet the wonderful students who receive scholarships."

One such student scholarship recipient is sophomore Patty French, who was "very impressed with the food and speakers, who were poised and informative."

It was nice to meet the donor behind my education."

Eileen Kief, the donor of the scholarship French receives, said that it is always a pleasure to meet the students and is impressed by them.

As for the planning behind the event, Leazer said it began back in February with looking at how many students and donors there would be and finding a location that could accommodate the large number.

2002 - 2003 Scholarship Donors and Recipients

- * Mr. James Barton for the Queen Anne County Scholarship - Nicole Davission
- * Mr. and Mrs. D. Robert Beglin for the D. Robert '43 and Edna Haller '46 Beglin Scholarship - Joann McKinney
- * Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bollinger for the James Lord, Jr. and Ruby K. Lord Scholarship
- * Mr. and Mrs. Brady Bryson for the George E. Brown Family Memorial Scholarship - Lindsay Lingerman
- * Ms. Mary Ruth Chlad for the Baltimore Alumni Chapter Scholarship - Rachael Bryant
- * Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Dawkins and family for the Hugh '69 and Kathy Dawkins Scholarship
- * Dr. Homer Elseroad for the Dr. Homer O. '40 and Laura Breedon '40 Elseroad Scholarship - Lindsay Delp
- * Mr. Robert Gagnon for the Robert M. Gagnon '71 Annual Scholarship - Krista Eiser
- * Mr. and Mrs. Robert Geist for the Mae Rowe Geist Endowed Scholarship - Marie Brennan
- * Col. and Mrs. John Haker for the 1st Lt. George W. "Geordie" Williams Scholarship
- * Mrs. Betty Hallmark for the Betty Jean Lenz Hallmark Scholarship
- * Mr. and Mrs. William Hawkins, Jr. for the Reverend Russell Wells Sapp Memorial Scholarship - Karen Tull
- * Mr. and Mrs. William Hawkins, III for the William L. Hawkins, Jr. '48 and Louise Sapp "Sunny" Hawkins '49 Scholarship - Tiffany Norquist
- * Mr. and Mrs. Ober Herr for the Dorothy McDaniel Herr Memorial Scholarship - Lydia Bandy
- * Mrs. Janice Hantob for the Class of 1963 Scholarship - Erin Lucas
- * Mrs. Doris Hood for the Colonel Webster R. '40 and Doris Mathias '40 Hood Scholarship
- * Mr. Henry Hornung for the Henry P. and Gretchen Stein Hornung Scholarship - Ebony White
- * Mrs. Miriam Jones for the Reverend Frank W. Grippin Memorial Scholarship - Rachel Taylor
- * Mr. Richard Kief for the Gerald F. Minnaugh Scholarship Fund for Future Teachers - Patty French
- * Dr. Annabel Liebelt (Lee-bell) for the Dr. Annabel Glockler Liebelt '48 Scholarship
- * Mr. and Mrs. William McCormick for the William McCormick, Jr. Memorial Scholarship - Jessica Lake and Ila Puleri
- * Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Myers for the Dorothy "Dot" Myers Endowed Scholarship - Patricia Jimenez
- * Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Myers for the Beverly Schott Myers '60 and Jonathan P. Myers '61 Scholarship
- * Mrs. Susan Robertson for the Charles B. Reisenweber Memorial Scholarship
- * Ms. R. Christine Royer for the Jesse C. and Ruth H. Royer Scholarship - Staci George
- * Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rudman for the Fred '73 and Wanda Rudman Scholarship - Hermelinda May
- * Mrs. Donna Sellman for the Donna Sellman Alumni Children Grant Fund - Andrew Mitchell (continued on pg 4)
- * Mr. and Mrs. J. Donald Smyth for the James D. Smyth, Jr. Memorial Scholarship - Mary Muro
- * Mr. and Mrs. Charles Trunk for the G. Frank Thomas Scholarship - Katie Dunbar and Kyia Robinson
- * Mr. and Mrs. Leon Wahrhaftig for the Leon and Betty Wahrhaftig Scholarship - Ed Gruss
- * Mrs. Mary Ada Welliver for the Daniel I. Welliver, M.D. '50 Scholarship - David Redorchak

The event is held in April during the weekend when the trustees are on campus. This facilitates the hectic schedules of those trustees who are scholarship donors by allowing them to come to campus for two events rather than planning travel arrangements for two different weekends.

Leazer said that everything went well.

There were a few students who RSVPed but did not show up, and there were some students who never RSVPed but showed up anyway, and luckily it was just a matter of switching name tags at the various tables.

"The neat thing about this event is that a

student gets to sit down and meet with the donor," said Leazer.

She explained that few other schools hold this sort of formal event where students and donor get to meet and interact with each other.

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her class selection process greatly.

Senior Religious Studies major Caroline Daniels pointed out that when she was a freshman, her peer mentor advised her not to sign up for any classes she actually wanted because "you won't get them."

The Phoenix solicited an opinion from the Office of the Registrar on one occasion, but due to the time constraints and deadlines involved in processing the registration information, they are unable to offer a comment at this time.

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Leahy, professor of political science and international studies.

During the Q & A session, Dr. Volker Franke, professor of political science, was interested in Sarbanes's feelings toward the democratic system, or lack of it, with regards to the 2000 election and the current war.

"We have a president elected by the Supreme Court, thus the Judicial Branch is taking over what the voters should be doing...now we have a war we're fighting that Congress has not approved, which is in the Constitution," stated Franke as he tried to get the Senator's feelings on this matter.

Sarbanes responded by saying he personally did not vote for the resolution called for by Bush last fall in order to wage war with Iraq, but it ended up passing in both houses.

He went on to say, "It is one thing to question the wisdom of a decision, but it is another thing to question the legitimacy of it. I do not think he is acting outside the legitimacy, he got the legislation from Congress."

Sarbanes laughed and admitted to being puzzled in how to comment on the Supreme Court's decision.

Pam Zappardino, director of the Ira and Mary Zapp Center for Nonviolence, asked about how we will avoid the conflict of in-

terest involved with major companies who will profit off of rebuilding Iraq, such as Vice President Cheney's former company.

He admitted to needing a "vigilant press to keep an eye on that" and let their audiences know who just may profit from the reconstruction. He has heard a colleague or two say that the money should not go to French or German people. Sarbanes acknowledged the stupidity of such a comment acknowledging that French and German intelligence has been extremely helpful in our pursuit against terrorism.

The event ended around 9:20; there was a championship basketball game to watch

Campus Safety News

March 29 - April 3, 2003

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News Editor

3/29/03: 8 a.m., Vehicle backed into another vehicle in

Rouzer Hall parking lot.

3/29/03: 11 p.m., Stone bench in Decker Center broken by unknown subject(s).

3/29/03: 11:50 p.m., Tables set up in Decker Center outside of Forum for a special event were overturned and tablecloths strewn. Tablecloths were trod upon leaving them soiled and disheveled.

3/30/03: Graffiti found on women's bathroom stalls in middle level of Decker Center.

3/30/03: 2:55 a.m., Fire extinguisher expended in Blanche Ward Hall.

3/30/03: 3:05 a.m., Underage subject consuming alcohol in Rouzer Hall.

3/30/03: 7:05 p.m., Fire alarm sounded in North Village Apartments. Dirty stove burner caused

alarm to sound.

4/1/03: Student's car tires damaged along Stadium Drive over past few weeks.

4/1/03: 5:20 a.m., Fire extinguisher stolen from ANW Hall.

4/1/03: 9:21 p.m., Student seen dropping bottles out of Rouzer Hall. Student confronted and more beer was confiscated.

4/2/03: 1 a.m., Dead cat found in hallway of Blanche Ward Hall by Building Services workers. No suspects in the case.

4/3/03: 11:23 p.m., Former student caught violating sanction given by Residence Life.

4/4/03: Fire extinguisher found with pin and hose missing. Exchanged for new.

4/4/03: 12:14 a.m., Westminster Police Department requested assistance at an off-campus party with

students being charged for underage possession of alcohol.

4/4/03: 6:05 a.m., Student had her license and \$46.00 stolen from her purse in Hoover Library's Commons area.

4/4/03: 6:12 p.m., Fire alarm sounded in building D of North Village Apartments. Cause of alarm caused by smoke from cooking.

4/4/03: 8:10 p.m., A shelf in Daniel MacLea Hall was spray-painted causing fumes and destruction of college owned property. A student group claimed responsibility for the incident.

4/4/03: 9:45 p.m., Three students cited by Westminster Police Department when found to be in underage possession of alcohol on Stadium Drive.

4/4/03: 11:55 p.m., Windows broken in balcony door in Blanche Ward Hall.

4/5/03: Westminster Police Department witnessed a student open the door and enter Campus Safety Jeep in Garden Apartment's parking lot.

4/5/03: 12:59 a.m., Student sprayed water from a water gun from an upstairs window in Daniel MacLea Hall.

4/5/03: 6:02 p.m., Bottle of grain alcohol recovered from a room in Blanche Ward Hall.

4/6/03: Student received a suspicious message on his voice mail. Investigation continuing.

4/6/03: 12:20 a.m., Fraternity documented for playing drinking games in hallway of Blanche Ward Hall.

4/6/03: 3:20 a.m., Students found playing drinking games in room in Blanche Ward Hall. Student cited

under prescriptions on conduct.

4/6/03: 3:48 a.m., Fire alarm sounded in Whiteford Hall. Building was evacuated. Pull station in main front lobby was activated. System was reset by DoCS.

4/6/03: 3:57 a.m., While evacuating for fire alarm, pet was found in a student's residence.

4/8/03: 3 p.m., Concerned student reported possible assault on another student in Bair Stadium parking bowl.

4/8/03: 6:16 p.m., Students set off fire alarm in North Village Apartments due to unclean stove.

4/9/03: 7:24 p.m., Victim received obscene messages on his computer email. Investigation continuing.

4/9/03: 11:17 p.m., DoCS patrol found broken window in the art studio.

Students visit Johns Hopkins Hospital

NICOLE GRIMM
Staff Writer

On Friday, March 28, ASAP (AIDS Support Awareness Prevention) organized a trip to Johns Hopkins hospital to visit patients with HIV.

Five students from the college attended and the visit turned out to be both worthwhile and rewarding.

"We met a variety of people," freshman Alicia Feuillel recalled, "a woman with four children, a gay couple, a husband and wife, black people, white people; the patients crossed a lot of barriers."

The students spent their time at Johns Hopkins talking with the patients in the Polk Ward, which is specifically designated for those suffering from HIV and AIDS.

The conversation was not limited to their illness, but rather what was going on in the lives of the students.

"When we left, even if it was something small, we could tell that we made a difference to them and helped take them away from the problems in their life for a little while," Feuillel added.

In addition to chatting with the patients, they also passed out coloring books and other gifts to entertain them.

For some patients in the ward, their immune systems were too low to allow them visitors in their rooms, so the group stood in their doorways and sat hello. One of the members of ASAP also shared the gift of her voice, which brought

many patients out of their rooms to listen.

Freshman Carrie Speck, who was very moved by the experience, explained, "The infection of HIV is so widespread, and the fact that we feel so far removed from the situation makes it all the more important to support ASAP and visit with patients."

In doing so we realize that we are not removed from the disease, but that it crosses all socio-economic boundaries."

Despite the fact that a campus wide message was sent out about this trip into Baltimore, only five students showed up.

For those who attended, however, they realize the importance of their visit and encourage people to get involved with awareness groups such as ASAP.

Speck argued, "The fact that so few people showed up, proves how important it is to have a group like this on campus."

AIDS is a real issue, not just here in America, but all over the world.

In the United States, around one million Americans are living with HIV or AIDS and 29.4 million people are infected with HIV or AIDS in Africa alone. People need to be aware of the problem but also that the sufferers are real people, each with their own story to tell.

Student journalists network and interact at 4th Annual College Press Day

KATIE MARTIN
Assistant News Editor

Writer's block was no where to be found as collegiate and professional journalists from surrounding areas descended on the McDaniel College campus for the 4th Annual College Press Day on Saturday April 5.

Approximately 50 students and advisors attended, from schools including Gettysburg College, Villa Julie College, York College of Pennsylvania, Hood College, Elizabethtown College, Mount St. Mary's College, and Shepherd College.

When students and journalists started to arrive to Lewis Hall and introductions began, SCJ President and College Press Day Coordinator Staci George said she felt relieved. "I knew that all my hard work had paid off and that this would be the best College Press Day to date," she said. McDaniel Journalism Professor Terry Dalton confirmed this saying, the event was "very, very successful, easily the most successful we have had."

The morning began with panel discussions on either internships or resumes.

Session II featured workshops lead by WMC Alumna Stacey Duck of The Gazette and Jamie Kelly of the Carroll County Times, Andrea Shalal-Esa of Reuters, and Jay Apperson of the Baltimore Sun. Carroll County Bureau Editor-in-Chief Kip Jones of the Gettysburg College Paper, was impressed with Duck's workshop saying, "She was very direct, clear, gave useful pertinent information."

Session III included a workshop lead by Gettysburg College journalism professor Robert Knight and Hood College journalism professor Donna Bertazzoni. WBAL-TV sports reporter Sarah Caldwell discussed women, sports, and the media and Kelly of the Carroll County Times lead another workshop on Criminal Justice Reporting. Following lunch, Fox 45 Investigative Reporter Jon Leiberman delivered this year's keynote address, "Why Local News Still Matters." This was Leiberman's second year on the Hill for College Press Day, as it was as well for Shalal-Esa of Reuters. George commented, "I hope this trend continues where we are able to welcome previous years' speakers back."

George said, "all of this year's speakers were wonderful and the students left the event with a lot of helpful information and some really good contacts." Kelly of the Carroll County Times, commented "There was a very good group of professionals here, high powered people. The lady from Reuters and Jon Leiberman, I mean, damn that was impressive."

The day concluded with a group panel discussion on current events, particularly the War in Iraq, and how journalists at the collegiate level should tackle, investigate, and cover such stories. Eddie Sweet, a student from Mount St. Mary's College, commented, "I think programs like this are important to bring different schools together, it helps the community to exchange ideas..."

Kelly commented that the program he "hopes the students learn how important Journalism is to American society and to preserving constitutional freedoms," also reiterating "how varied and interesting a profession it is—if you are interested in something, you can find a way to write it in a story."

George had her own praise for Kelly, designating him the "Most Involved Speaker," as he was the first speaker to arrive and the last to leave, participating in numerous workshops and panels in between.

SCJ Members, many of whom helped significantly with the organization and execution of the event, include seniors Staci George, Tara DellaFranzia, Tammi Slater, Tim Saul, Ed Schultheis, and Jessica Fitzgerald; Juniors Katie Champion, Erin Romanski, Melanie Pulley, Arina Young, and Jessica Watson.

Champion and Romanski are upcoming SCJ co-presidents and will be responsible for planning next year's event, which will again be held at McDaniel.

Following the day's event President Joan Coley and Provost Sam Case, both whom stopped by the event at some point in the day, sent congratulatory messages to George on behalf of her and the group's successful event. The work of George and the SCJ organization was also recognized through anonymous comments on evaluation surveys, one reading, "Wow, Staci and company did a great job. My expectations were met at McDaniel today. Please invite us again."

Students and faculty gather for peace-related events around campus to share thoughts and music

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the Peace Picnic are important in order to "keep in mind that war is going on somewhere in the world." No matter how detached one feels from it, the war is an ugly reality.

Dr. Charles Collyer, an adjunct professor at McDaniel and professor of psychology at the University of Rhode Island, addressed a concern that may be resonating in the hearts and minds of those people who have yet to attend any of these events around campus. Apathy is contagious on this campus, like most, and it could be the reason many new faces are not appearing at each new event. Or as Collyer expressed, people could be falsely stereotyping the group who does gather as "peace people."

The stereotypes include the word "hippie," "unpatriotic," "unrealistic," "pacifist," "unsupportive of the troops," and ultimately "un-American," Collyer said and others agreed with him.

The last thing anyone wants to be is unsupportive of troops or un-American in this post-September 11th era.

But despite the stereotypes and the inability to change one's mind on what is going on or how much apathy they really do have, these events will continue. Mahlia Joyce, one of the student coordinators, says there will be an event each week to keep peace on everyone's mind and prayers in their hearts.

Another beautiful spring day will wel-

come a peace picnic, where musicians like Walt Michael, Eric Whitehair, Rob Caswell, and Tara DellaFranzia will sing songs that speak volumes about what is currently going on in the world and in Iraq. Poets like Marcus Woods, Christina Cheek, Penelope Miller, and Richard Serrao will continue writing their own words or reading someone else's. Professors like Ira Zepp, Christianna Leahy, Mohamed Esa, and Thomas Deveny will continue adding the academic touch to the gatherings by sharing academic insight and wisdom they have obtained during their careers.

A young boy around three-years-old named Darien held a peace sign he had made before attending the Peace Picnic with his neighbor Richard Serrao and his wife who were babysitting that day. On the walk to campus, the young boy asked if he could stop a car with his sign, like a stop sign does.

Serrao responded to the youngster's question: "You can't stop a car with this, but you can stop a war with it."

And the boy was content with the answer and waved his signed vigorously at the picnic in Hoover Memorial Park.

When an outdoor prayer vigil relocates due to rain and eventually turns into a discussion group, there will still be songs, poems, and comments. Unlike the Oscars where someone was booed by their peers,



More events to come!
Keep an eye out for signs and posters; or contact Mahlia Joyce, one of the student event coordinators

Darien held his sign with pride. He and his family reside in Carroll County.

gestions included information sessions on nation building in Iraq, how to give women a voice in the system when they never had one before, and various economical issues. More peace picnics and prayer vigils are likely, thought Joyce.

The planning committee is also thinking about possible guest speakers who could come to campus and share their expertise on various subjects and how students can take a more active role in such initiatives.

To get involved in the planning or simply attend, contact Mahlia Joyce or Eric Whitehair. The Phoenix will continue its coverage and promotion of such events.

no one will get angry or offended if you try to share your opinions, even if they are the dissenting opinions. Whitehair and Joyce both agree that this sort of open forum and freedom of thought/opinion is pertinent in this time period.

During Wednesday's discussion/prayer vigil, the attendees brainstormed on what to do next in terms of upcoming events. Sug-

Writing Center Conference draws tutors and professors from East Coast colleges and universities

KATIE CHAMPION
News Editor

Last weekend, the 15th Annual Mid-Atlantic Writing Centers Association (MAWCA) conference drew hundreds of students, professors, tutors and coordinators to McDaniel College from more than 100 schools.

Since October, Writing Center Coordinator Lisa Breslin and Writing Center tutors worked hard to organize the day of workshops and panel discussions hosted annually by different colleges and universities of all sizes up and down the East Coast.

"This was definitely a campus-wide effort and a campus-wide success," Breslin said.

"Facilities, catering, parking, duplication of countless forms, programs. The Writing Center and its tutors, no matter how dedicated, could not have hosted this conference alone," she added.

Writing Center tutor Kathleen Miller agreed that though the preparation was long, the end result was worth it.

"Though the conference required long hours of planning and preparation, the ultimate result was very rewarding," Miller, a junior, said.

"The enthusiasm of the presenters and attendees was infectious," she added.

Topics of discussion ranged from tutoring about unknown topics to technology issues in the Writing Center.

Twenty-five papers were presented in concurrent sessions at the conference including two by McDaniel students and faculty.

Junior Marie Lily gave her presentation on an examination of technology within the Writing Center and the importance of both tutors and English teachers to learn rudimentary web basics.

Writing Center coordinator Lisa Breslin and tutor Erin Duffy presented their paper titled, "Would you like candy with your comma splice? Marketing Writing Centers across the curriculum," to an over-capacity crowd.

"It was a great opportunity to host the conference and present papers," Breslin said. "Most students don't experience this until graduate school and I'm thrilled that the opportunity came our way."

The group enjoyed a formal lunch on the dining porch of Englar Dining Hall and a speech by keynote speaker Terry Riley, director of the Writing Center at Bloomsburg University, emeritus, for eleven years.

His talk focused on the kind of satisfaction writing instructors receive in their work.

Literature and creative writing major Krysti Durcholz enjoyed the conference as a day to learn more about her job and ways to improve.

"I was extremely proud to be part of the Writing Center community. It was very helpful to see how other Writing Centers work and I got some ideas on how to improve ours," Durcholz, a second year Writing Center tutor said.

"The conference was everything we hoped it would be: challenging, inspiring, rewarding - and now over," said a relieved Breslin.

McDaniel College: Under Evaluation by Middle States

TARA DELLAFRANZIA
Commentary Editor

The Middle States Association (MSA) is a voluntary association of colleges and universities that is recognized by the federal government. Every ten years, association participants such as McDaniel are subject to a routine review.

According to Dr. Phil Sayre, Dean of Student Affairs, the MSA evaluation acts in place of a government review. McDaniel College pays yearly dues to the MSA just as other college and university members do.

The college is also expected to cover the costs of hosting the MSA review committee, and must prepare various materials for their review.

A few key points were noted and discussed with McDaniel's administration and the MSA review team. Unsurprisingly, these are many of the same campus concerns shared by our student body, faculty, and administration. Among areas of improvement suggested, the MSA listed parking, a better relationship between the those planning faculty curriculum and academic planning, as well as growth and enrollment concerns.

According to Sayre, these comments were expected and these issues will be addressed.

The MSA made these comments in a preliminary oral report, but will soon produce a final written report for President College. According to Sayre, the final report will most likely be 10-12 pages long. In addition to President College, the final review will be presented to the MSA's Higher Education Committee.

Sayre is very satisfied with the MSA review and the preliminary results. Sayre also mentioned that the MSA seemed to feel that

the name change was a positive step for our college. The MSA also seemed impressed with the organized planning of our campus' development as well as the faculty morale.

He indicated an overall positive response from the MSA.

Specifically, the MSA review evaluates curriculum, such as Basic Liberal Arts Requirements, the preparation of faculty, the governance of our college (faculty and administration), library resources and how they support the curriculum, and assessment.

Dean Sayre also described the rising importance of an "outcome assessment," or how an institution can measure learning upon a student's departure.

Sayre notes that the faculty tends to resist this idea, but that schools are currently being pushed to administer some type of assessment.

Dean Sayre noted that "we show a process where we are developing better outcome assessments."

On Tuesday, March 25th, students were also invited to an open session with the MSA in the President's Dining Room, in addition to an earlier meeting with students selected by Dean Sayre.

Have an opinion about a change on campus?
New buildings, procedures, etc?
Write a Commentary for The Phoenix and BE HEARD!!!!

X: The meaning, or the journey?

Tara DellaFranza questions the necessity of the math proficiency exam with the skills of her liberal arts education



Everyone is having at least one hell week between now and the end of the semester. For seniors, every week can be a hell week. Math proficiency makes it worse.

Yes, I know I sound like your advisor, but it's the truth: you need to get this stupid requirement out of the way as soon as you can. Thanks to not knowing x from π , I may not graduate. At all. I mean,

I realize how important algebra is to the language of English. Where would literature be without algebra? What kind of English major would I be if I didn't know about x ?

Does x have a soul? It doesn't matter what x is, but what x has done before x dies. These are the thoughts of a liberal arts student—the things that make me wonder about x . Is x a round character, or flat? Is x a round in solfeggio, would it be do, mi, or sol? Does x believe in God? Is x aware of y and z ? Does x know that if it has two identical brothers or sisters (x and x) next to it (xxx), it could be perceived as a randomly bad movie or a really racy one?

Did x mind when Malcolm X used it as part of his name? Was x proud, or angry? Is x upset that those of us who speak English fail to use it very frequently? Does x get frustrated everytime x sees

"connection" instead of "connexion"? I mean, if x is negatively associated with pornographic references alone, wouldn't it be 'extatic' to be part of an "erexion"?

This is what happens when I, an English major, look at x . I mean, x has some kind of cultural significance, too. Even though it's a cross, which is a symbol generally perceived as good in our society, we use it to " x " out bad things. My mom even refers to my dad as "the ex-man!" That can't make x feel very loved, now, can it?

X has some positive connotations, too. It represents the best parts of best things. Like comfy tee-shirts. For those of us that aren't thin, but aren't too large, XL is a really comfortable, sleep-in-it-kind of size.

Then there's X -mas. X is privileged enough to represent Christ. You don't get more honored than that in a rather significant holiday.

Then again, my English major has taught me (per James Joyce, in "Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man"), religion can be society's drug. Just like X -T-C. Or Herbal XTC, which is tres controversial at the moment. What if x doesn't like the controversy? I mean, people see it as so damned shocking, but come on, it's just a letter, right?

No. Algebra gives x a meaning. That's the one good thing about Algebra. You can use logic to prove that something otherwise banal has meaning.

Where would we be without x ? Would $=mc$ anything if x didn't

mean something, at some point? X seems to validate what everything else is. X defines things. This is why we pursue x .

I feel that I have proven my liberal arts education's worth. I can assign meanings to things, even things like x , and apply them. But I still can't do algebra. For all the x 's I have written in all of those English major papers, and all the little x 's in the music score (they use x 's to represent claps or other rhythmic marks sometimes), I still can't figure out why I really need to know what x equals.

Life is important. Life has meaning. Do we have to know, before we graduate, what the meaning of life is? No. We've just learned how to search for it through our college education. I'm proud that I've learned...but still, it's not really a prerequisite for graduation. Just something I picked up along the way. It's never tested before we graduate, but x ... x we must know. The algebra proficiency.

I have developed the philosophy, because of my education in part, that life isn't about its ultimate meaning as much as it is about what you do along the way. At this point, at 5 minutes to midnight on the clock of graduation, I am beginning to see x in the same light. I've done so much to get to this moment, that boils down to x . I think it's about time I take two sharpened No. 2 pencils and march in there, and just find the meaning of it all.

-Tara DellaFranza is a senior English major

Speech not as hindered as thought

Staci George shares what she has learned from a commentary by Michael Moore and offers it as a revision to a previous commentary

I'm not sure I like the idea of being an embedded journalist during the war with Iraq. Nor do I think it is a story assignment I would jump on the next plane for. Despite these mixed emotions, I would like to pray for and dedicate this to the 600 some journalists that are "embedded." So far six journalists have died and two are missing (as of 4/9/03).

The minor problem with being a bi-weekly paper is that by the time the paper is published and people read the stories, new things have occurred and the facts or opinions are out of date.

That happened last issue with my commentary "Operation: Protect Freedom of Speech." It was not until the other day that I read a commentary by Michael Moore (April 7, www.michaelmoore.com) that I realized I needed to redo the commentary on freedom of speech.

What I saw as certain people's speech being reduced and having to deal with the consequences for saying what's on one's mind, he saw a completely different thing happening. Those who criticized the media were reaping the ben-

efits.

Pardon me, but he said it better than I did, so I would like to quote him and then add my own thoughts later.

"On the day after I criticized Bush and the war at the Academy Awards, attendance at 'Bowling for Columbine' in theatres around the country went up 110% (source: Daily Variety/Box OfficeMojo.com)...It is now the longest-running consecutive commercial release in America, 26 weeks in a row and still thriving. The number of theatres showing the film since the Oscars has INCREASED, and it has bested the previous box office record for a documentary by nearly 300%!"

"In the week after the Oscars, my website was getting 10-20 million hits a day (one day we even got more hits than the White House). The mail has been overwhelmingly positive and supportive (and the hate mail has been hilarious)!"

"In the two days following the Oscars, more people pre-ordered the video for 'Bowling for Columbine' on Amazon.com than the video for the Oscar winner for Best

Picture, 'Chicago'."

"In the past week, I have obtained funding for my next documentary, and I have been offered a slot back on television to do an updated version of 'TV Nation'/'The Awful Truth.'"

In his commentary, he also shed light on the good fortunes of the Dixie Chicks, despite what the nation thought would happen to them after lead singer Natalie said she was ashamed to be from the same state as our president. "The truth is that their sales are NOT down. This week, after all the attacks, their album is still #1 on the Billboard country and, according to Entertainment Weekly they rose from #6 to #4. Their song, 'Travelin' Soldier' was the most requested song on the internet last week."

It gives me endless satisfaction to know that Michael Moore and the Dixie Chicks are still having a successful career, quite possibly their best work to date, and not letting the dissenting opinion censor them.

It goes without saying, sometimes the negative publicity it the best kind of publicity. Americans

Don't complain until you have registered

Alum Thomas Macurak explains why people should get involved in governmental issues and vote.

Recently, Senator Paul Sarbanes came to the McDaniel college campus and spoke to the gathered students, alumni, and various other distinguished guests of our campus.

I was in attendance was happy to see many students among the many in attendance. But the turnout could have been better. There were many empty seats and the students were far outnumbered by people who were not students.

This got me to thinking about the lack of involvement in today's government by the many students of today.

Turnout in recent elections has been at all-time lows despite the massive amounts of press coverage that go along with these events. But still many people complain that taxes are too high and that you have to be 21 to drink alcohol. Not to mention the recent events in Iraq that brought many people out to have their voices heard.

Now, if you look at the percentages of voter turnout it becomes a safe bet that not everyone who is out there complaining is registered to vote, let alone actually does vote.

The point to be made here is that, if you complain about anything related to laws being passed or actions being taken by government, you need to be registered to vote in order for that voice to be effectively heard.

As a matter of fact, if you are not registered to vote and you try to contact an elected official to discuss an issue that is pertinent to you, chances are that issue is going to go right into the circular file of that elected official's office.

We, as a collective nation,

have a tremendous amount of rights and freedoms that are presented to us by our Constitution.

Not everyone necessarily appreciates all of those rights. Since graduating from McDaniel in 2002 I landed a job as a paralegal at a nationally and internationally known immigration law firm.

If you want to truly appreciate how well we have it, then you should talk to those people who have to go through a very monotonous and draining process of paperwork and waiting to enjoy the same freedoms that we take for granted. They will tell you that you should not take such things for granted, as not everyone in the world has things this good.

After all, you can never really appreciate how good you have things until they are taken away from you. Hopefully, that day will never happen to any of us, but in order to prevent it from ever happening you must stand up and take advantage of the rights and opportunities afforded to us as United States Citizens.

Make sure your voice is heard, if you aren't registered to vote where your permanent address is, then get registered. If you are registered then make sure you exercise that opportunity at every chance you get. If you still are not satisfied then there are countless groups and organizations that you, as an individual, can become involved in to make a difference.

Although we may not all always agree, we, as Americans, have a duty to speak up and make sure that our voices are heard, and heard as loud as possible.

--Tom Macurak graduated in 2002 with a B.A. in Political Science.

love controversy, hence the sensationalism behind "reality" television.

Moore talked about this myth that if people make an unpopular statement, they will have to face the consequences. He says, "there is nothing more important now than to keep the voices of dissent and those who would dare to ask a question. SILENT. And what better way to do than to try a take a few well-known entertainers down with a pack of lies so that the average Joe or Jane gets the message loud and clear: 'Wow, if they would do that to the Dixie Chicks or Michael Moore, what would they do to little of me'. In other words, shut the _ up."

This myth is simply not true. The only ones censoring us are ourselves alone. I might have this really good statement to make but feel less inclined to make it in public than I am to write it in the commentary section of the Phoenix. I

still don't like the war and the

reasons behind it. But I can turn off the TV or radio and ignore the war coverage for a little while. I can't turn off my feelings that result from war, loss of freedom of speech, and all the hypocrisy that surrounds me.

We do not have to be Michael Moore or the Dixie Chicks to have our voices heard by many people and taken seriously by those who hear our messages.

In the last issue of the Phoenix, we had an exemplary collection of war-related stories, and although I agree with some writers more than others, I am proud of the fact that we can openly express ourselves on the subject.

Well, the above is what has been swimming in my brain. As always, I encourage articles that address what I have just presented. Exercise that freedom of speech.

-- Staci George is a senior Communication major.

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Freshman driver: there is no glory, many problems

Laura Petersen wonders if having a car on campus is the best choice

Well, I guess it is time to confess, I am a freshman with a car on campus. I have heard older students complaining about how freshman just like me only make the parking situation worse by having a car on campus - honestly, I am starting to believe this theory.

Unfortunately, I really need to have my car on campus because I have a job about fifteen minutes away at a Nextel cellular phone store. Oddly enough, I am beginning to wish I didn't have a car on campus.

On the flip side, I hear countless freshman complaining about the policy that restricts first year students from having their cars on campus. Their complaints resonated through my mind as I walked out to my car on a gorgeous Wednesday afternoon to find an annoying yellow piece of paper taunting me from under my windshield wiper. The last thing I needed was a twenty-five dollar ticket for parking on "yellow wash mark lines."

The reason I have my car is to make money to pay for the tuition costs that my scholarship cannot cover.

As I gripped that piece of paper in my fist, I thought of all the countless people who park on those exact same lines and NEVER receive a ticket. I filled out an appeal that

will likely be denied and then I went to work - late. On my return to campus, someone was parked in that exact spot, without a ticket of course.

I cannot say my experience is the worst; a commuter that I know received a ticket when he was purchasing a parking permit. It is common knowledge that the parking situation is simply atrocious, but the never-ending trips around parking lots to find a space is not my only problem. I am now known for having a car - not a good thing. I cannot remember how many times I have been asked the question, "Hey, can you take me to [fill in a destination of choice]?"

At this point I ask myself, "Why can't I just say no?" But I say yes, and I end up going to Owings Mills, Walmart, and Taco Bell when I could be writing essays or reading.

Aside from running over a nail near the North Village Apartments, hulling car-less freshman all over town, the endless hunting for parking spots, having a job, and paying for overpriced gas, I suppose having a car is a plus - I can easily get to the bank to withdrawal money to pay for parking tickets.

-Laura Petersen is a freshman English major

From envisioning an event to its reality

Staci George reflects the sense of personal pride and victory when four months of planning resulted in one extremely successful day shared with professional journalists and 50-plus students



I accomplished a huge victory when four months of planning and organizing an event went turned out as I had envisioned. Sponsored by the Society for Collegiate Journalists, the 4th Annual College Press Day was a huge success, and this is not simply my biased opinion.

Though my actions of late may not have said so, I am truly thankful to the other SCJ members who helped planning the event, whether it was making signs or calling schools.

It was to date, the best CPD ever. And it is my hope that it will get better and better each additional year.

But with making it an even bigger success, there needs to be dedicated volunteers, ones who are not afraid to make it a large priority or get emotionally attached to the event, so much that they seem to be going through withdrawal when it is over (like I am).

I apologize to those SCJ members who may not have wanted to make this a large priority like I did or those I disagreed with when they said they had another commitment to attend to that day. When an organization only has only big event a year, naturally it would be nice to have every member there to share in our organization's victory.

But I don't want to stress over these minute details (or the lack of coffee that I thought was trivial but others told me otherwise), but instead I want to focus on the positives that came out of the day that I and oth-

ers put so much into.

We had nine local journalists and two collegiate faculty members lead informative and thought-provoking workshops. Students got help with their resumes, ideas on how to begin searching and applying for journalism jobs. Seven colleges got to interact with students from other schools and swap helpful information.

This year we had a wonderful SCJ member who loves creating and maintaining websites and for the first time were able to make a SCJ website and include a link for College Press Day. Students could log on and find out the latest speaker who would be attending or if a new school had signed up to attend.

It was not until President Coley and Provost Case showed up that I felt the magnitude of this event. Something really important was happening in LRH, I had made it happen, and other students from other schools were here taking part in it and networking with professional journalists.

No matter what minor complaints I have about who didn't do want or who said they'd be there but weren't (several McDaniel students signed up to attend but were not shows, other students from other schools were unable to come for one reason or another), this was a phenomenal event.

Anyone who thinks they could do half of the work and still pull off a better event than this year's has a lot to learn.

In the beginning, I never imagined how hard and how time-consuming this would be. As soon as I got one task done, there was another to do. I literally sent a thousand emails and received almost as many.

Even with CPD over, there are still a few tasks to take care of after (i.e. paying the bills, sending out thank you cards, emailing the schools some additional info, and getting a jump start on planning next year's College Press Day). By no means is SCJ done for

the year, there are things like two fieldtrips and a fund-raiser left to do.

Being this dedicated to SCJ and focused on College Press Day has made me realize that I have a knack for event planning and that I like seeing the outcome of the event, especially when it goes extremely well.

On the other hand though, it made have to deal with my perfectionist and over-achiever tendencies. When things weren't getting done as quickly as I had hoped or the "I have too much other work to do" line was getting real old real fast, I inevitably stepped in and picked up the slack. The key to leadership is being able to work with others and to delegate successfully. I admit to be lacking in this department. I saw our time running out and if I didn't step in and take the initiative, this event would fold. I admit to slipping from time to time and referring to it as "my event" rather than "our College Press Day."

Although I am lacking sleep and have other priorities to get back to, I am going through withdrawal and trying to find some way to stay involved with the planning of future CPDs and ensuring that they are just as good, if not better, as this year's event.

Once again, thanks to all the guest speakers, students from different colleges, and those SCJ members who worked behind the scenes and/or attended College Press Day. I think I have reached my ultimate goal of many students being able to leave College Press Day after learning so much helpful information and meeting many talented journalists.

I hope people were able to use some of the "free advice" that they may have gained at CPD. Hopefully, having items from this event in my portfolio will get me a step closer to my ideal job. We shall see!

-Staci George is a senior communication major

School year almost over:
Get those opinions published before it's too late and your brain turns to mush during the summer!

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OPINIONS WANTED!

The sex advice column: An idea whose time has arrived

Once again, Michael Wiles says what needs to be said



Something very distressing has recently come to my attention. The Phoenix does not have a sex column.

How could we be this far behind a trend that has recently swept the nation's colleges and universities? It seems that almost every other self-respecting collegiate publication understands the need to have one student's worthless opinion govern the personal questions of his/her classmates, so why not The Phoenix? Hell, even the Johns Hopkins Newsletter has one such column as of late, and I think it is high time we, as a truly progressive liberal arts institution, step up and meet this new trend head on. We need someone who is willing to do away with their own inhibitions and qualms and give themselves in service to their sexually confused peers. As Michael Spector, co-editor of the Newsletter so astutely put it, "This is something we really should do." I, for one, could not agree more.

Luckily for all of us, we have me. I, for the betterment of all who read my selfishly motivated column, decided to throw caution to the wind and solicit, for this one time only, questions from the Western Maryland student body regarding their sexual and romantic concerns.

I must say, the responses I got from you all were quite diverse, if not somewhat confusing. Of course, this is my first crack at such an endeavor, so maybe it is just my inexperience, but you all seem to be way more confused than even I would have thought. Most of the letter is got had little to do with sex, with most people wanting advice about sports and stuff. None the

less, here are the question I received, addressed with my thoughtful advice. I hope you all enjoy, and perhaps learn a few things for yourself.

Dear Michael: I'm hoping you can help me with a problem I've been having. My girlfriend keeps telling me that I "chalk my cue" way too much (if you know what I'm saying), and that it is really starting to bother her. I tried to tell her that it's really in her best interest that I "practice" as much as I do, but she doesn't seem to agree. Any advice? Confused with my cue

Well "Confused," I could not agree with you more. If your girlfriend supports your dreams of becoming a successful pool player (which I can tell from your letter you aspire to be), then why doesn't she understand the need for you to chalk your cue? I mean, I haven't shot pool in ages myself, but I do remember the chalk being a great assistance to my accuracy. Perhaps she just doesn't understand pool all that well. Hopefully, she'll see how important cue-chalking is soon, and the problem will solve itself. I must say, however, I don't know what this has to do with sex. You might want to address your concerns with a fellow pool player, since I, as said before, have not played in a while myself. In any event, I hope I was able to help.

Dear sex-column guy: I'm just about at my wit's end with my boyfriend. He keeps making hints that he would like to "play rough" with me when we are alone (if you know what I mean), and I am just not down with that. How can I tell him this without making him mad? Please help me. Wanting to Play Nice

Dear "Wanting": I think I can help you, but I am a bit confused by your question. When you say "playing rough," what exactly are you talking about? Does he want you to play Rugby with him or something? If so, maybe you should just tell him that you are not interested in Rugby, or any such sport, and that one's choice of sports is truly up to them. You know, "Wanting," your question reminds me of one of my favorite bumper stickers: "You have to have leather balls to play Rugby." I've always loved that bumper sticker. Anyway, back to your question about Rugby. I've got to be honest with you, I've never played Rugby. Although I did play Cricket once, I've heard the two sports don't have much in common. Regardless, I hope this all works out for you. Maybe you boyfriend just doesn't have enough friends who like to, as you said, "play rough," and that introducing him to others with similar interests to his could make everyone's life a bit easier. Thanks for your letter.

Dear Michael: My girlfriend and I can't stop fighting about a part of our relationship, and I don't know what to do about it. It's hard for me to talk about, but she keeps complaining about my "diving" skills (if you know what I am saying) and it really offends me. I always try my best, but she just ends up yawning and giving me the silent treatment. Then, when I try to talk to her about it, she just gets really pissed off, and we end up fighting about it. Any advice how I can improve my skills? Barely Floating

"Diving skills?" Listen "Barely," this is supposed to be a sex column, not a column about water sports. If you are having so much trouble diving, maybe you

need to take some diving classes or something. I believe there are such classes available right here at Western Maryland, and maybe you should consider signing up for one. However, this doesn't sound like your biggest problem. If your being able to dive (or lack thereof) is so important to your girlfriend that it causes so many fights between you two, perhaps you are not the guy for her. Maybe she should be dating Aquaman or someone like that. Something for you to think about.

Dear Michael: I'll get right to my point. My boyfriend and I have been together for a little over a year, and things have been great between us all the while. However, lately he's been talking about wanting to do it "doggie style," and I am embarrassed to say that I have no idea what he is talking about. When I tell him this, he just scoffs at me, and it hurts my feelings. What is he talking about, and what should I do? Just Human

Well, "Just Human," I'll be honest with you: I have no idea what your boyfriend is talking about, either. Do WHAT "doggie style?" What's he expect you to do, drink out of the toilet and bring him his slippers? I don't think your boyfriend has much respect for you if he expects you to engage in such activities. Maybe you should consider getting him an actual dog, so he could train it to do these things he wants, thus taking the pressure of you. All the same, I would explain to him that you do not deserve such treatment, and that you will

not do anything "doggie style," as he so crudely puts it.

Hey Wiles: What do you think about the war in Iraq? Do you feel all the bombing is necessary? I know this is a hotly contested issue, so I was wondering where you stood on the matter. Concerned American

"Concerned:" I am glad that someone finally understood the nature of this column, rather than just asking me stupid questions about dogs and sports. It sounds to me that you have quite a problem on your hands, what with your "bombing Iraq" and all. Frankly, I don't even know I'm allowed to print such a graphic inquiry, but hopefully your letter will see print, since surely many others are having the same problem. Have you tried any of those special creams? I hear those are good for such "Iraq" problems. If those don't work, maybe you should consider seeking professional assistance; the sooner the better. Hope thing clear up for you soon, and that your "war" is "resolved" soon. Anyway folks, thanks for your letters, but I am beginning to think that I am not cut out to be a sex columnist. While I enjoyed being able to help people, it would appear that a sex columnist, judging from my experience, not only have to know lots of stuff about sex, but pretty much everything about everything else.

Hell, I don't have time for that. I'm a busy guy.

-Michael Wiles is a senior English major

Poetry Corner

Haiku
By Lisa Moore

Motherless child
Is wandering aimlessly.
Take her in your arms.

Mayonnaise on the road
Looks like a cloud that fell down
I wouldn't eat it.

Goats land on the rocks-
Horizontally eating.
Oh! To be a goat.

Now accepting poetry
for the final Spring
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Don't be afraid, prepare to laugh

Tara DellaFranza discusses a website that satirizes the government's "be prepared" plan

<http://www.uspoliticsforum.com/emergency/>

No matter what you think about war, it isn't pretty. It isn't funny, either. At the end of the day, regardless of political affiliation, you just have to think about the stupidity of the government. If no one gets hurt, and no one loses tax dollars, what's the harm in laughing at ridiculous graphics put to good use?

This popular unintended use of government graphics (paraphernalia, government-sponsored information, or whatever you want to call it) is originally from www.ready.gov. Ready.gov is here so that we can all go about our normal lives. Its motto: "Don't be afraid... be ready." Ironically,

the forwarded and web-reproduced satire of Ready's pictures has directed mass amounts of attention to the original site.

While the original site uses graphics that are supposedly easy to understand to illustrate their points about being prepared for terrorism, the uspoliticsform site mocks them.

One picture, which illustrates a man with hair blowing a whistle loudly on one side, and a Mr. Clean-like man screaming in the other, is captioned "If you spot terrorism, blow your anti-terrorist whistle. If you are Vin Diesel, yell really loud." [sic]

Ready.gov, which is sponsored by Homeland Security, offers some tips that make sense. For example,

they advise keeping non-perishable foods in your home in case of an emergency. However, some of the advice is a bit more far-fetched, and this satirical web site/forward has emerged in the glory of the backlash against plastic sheeting and duct tape.

Amazingly, the link to ready.gov has remained on the forward/site in its various incarnations, always pointing the curious audience to see how and where the government originally intended to use these things.

And remember, if you are trapped under falling debris, conserve oxygen by not farting.

-Tara DellaFranza is a senior English major

Dealing with war through song, poetry, & commentaries

Staci George talks about the student-led events occurring around campus and professors who have added this war to their syllabi

I would like to take a few moments to discuss what has been occurring on our campus. There may be some Phoenix readers who have no idea about the following.

A few students have organized various types of forums so the McDaniel community can express their feelings on war, peace, and other topics of interest.

I'm not only at these events as a student-journalist, but as someone who is interested in hearing what others have to say, whether it is through a song, poem, quote, commentary, or a thought that just occurred to them.

Wednesday April 9th's prayer vigil turned into a very informal yet informative discussion group. It may have been the one event to date with the least amount in attendance, but I think the small group setting made it easier for us to speak our minds as thoughts occurred.

The students present were not complaining about their coursework or other priorities, but rather trying to brainstorm with faculty and concerned community members on where to go next.

You see, standing up for peace means having those who do not understand you or your values assume that you do not support our troops or their Iraqi endeavors.

I heard people's testimony about trying to hold a peace sign outside the Carroll Community Library and have offensive things yelled at them when cars drove by. By standing up for peace, they were opening themselves to the possibility of being arrested and charged with assault.

In classes, professors are tossing aside carefully planned syllabi and revising the day's discussion to issues the students want to learn more about. I'm not currently in the class, but Dr. Leahy said that the war in Iraq has been a topic of discussion all semester in her Conflict Resolution class because that's what the students want more information on and they want to be able to discuss it

with their peers.

In my intercultural communication class, one student chose to do his assignment on "how the media stereotypes a certain culture" on the Iraqi soldiers.

War, foreign policy, and the media are being worked into several McDaniel College classes. These professors are concerned for their students and want them to seek a higher level of knowledge on the subject through class lectures, and have a peer-driven class dialogue to stimulate one's ability to debate the situation.

Although some colleges are allowing professors like Dr. Leahy to address such topics in such a manner, other schools' administration are encouraging them not to discuss the war or what is being seen in the media. And if students skip class for a peace protest or a prayer vigil, the professors are supposed to "punish them accordingly" either through a lower grade or reporting them to the dean.

This is absolutely absurd. We are paying to be there in class, the professors are not paying us per hour we sit in class. Because we are (or our parents, I should say) are paying for our education, then there should be no repercussions for missing a class in order to attend a prayer vigil. How do you think outside the box if you are chained within the classroom walls and not allowed to learn from a peer's poem she recited at the recent gathering?

During our current time period, it is best not to let these feelings bottled up inside, or pushing them off because Test A, Project B, or Paper C are on your never ending to do list. Sing, write, draw, speak, compose or whatever it is you do to get those thoughts out. If not being done yet in your classes, encourage the professor to address the "here and now's" of what is going on in the world.

- Staci George is a senior communication major

What Price for Freedom?

Song written by Richard J. Serrao

Freedom!

What price will you pay for your freedom?

Would you die today for your freedom?

Do you kneel and pray? Thank you freedom!

Would you take a gun in your hand,

and shoot someone in a foreign land?

Would you watch them burning, like a fire in the rain?!

'cause Revenge is the name of the game!

Freedom!

What price will you pay for your freedom?

New laws every day erode your freedom!

Hear the government say that we need 'em!

Would you take a sword in your hand,

and draw a line in the sand?

If someone crosses it like- a snake in the night,

Would you swing your blade with Righteous might?!

And would you be able to sleep good at night?!

Freedom!...Freedom!...Freedom!

Gonna take your thoughts, put them in a smooth box, so you don't hurt yourself, gonna keep it locked.

Gonna wrap your brain with invisible chain,

pretend I care, 'cause I feel your pain!

What a wonderful world this could be

Poem written by Marcus Woods

I see skies of blue and clouds of white

A red starry death on an Iraqi night.

I see death and destruction from a forced intervention

An endless crusade, can I have your attention?

And isn't this a wonderful world?

I've seen babies born, I watch them grow

I pray this terror they'll never see or know

I pray for a world without violence and strife

Without this senseless devaluing of human life

And I know my voice isn't as loud as theirs

And I can't even talk 'cause I'm so scared

I feel so powerless and not in control

The claws of uncertainty are tearing at my soul

Why can't I speak my mind Without the fear of verbal flack?

'Cause I can't be patriotic Unless I support this attack

What a wonderful world

What a wonderfully American world

Why can't I be American?

'Cause I remember Americans like Marvin Gaye

Saying only love could conquer hate

And Dr. King saying not to retaliate

I won't pass any judgment, I won't cast any blame

I respect you, but disagree, won't you do the same?

Because in a wonderful world we could all agree to disagree. And see each other's points of view and live in harmony

And I respect those troops

Who risk their lives for me Those liberties I take for granted To ensure that I'm free

So for all those troops who feel battle is their calling

May the Deity protect you and keep you from falling Into the hands of thine enemies

So I've told you my piece

And I pray for peace And I hope for peace

So may peace find us and set us free Because our humanity is the key That death and destruction aren't just stats on TV

That's the broken lives and homes of people like you and me

So take a different perspective because it adds clarity But you don't even have to listen to me

I'm just a young man trying to find some peace of mind

Hoping and wishing that I'll see peace in due time

Because what a wonderful world this could be

-Marcus Woods is a senior English major

Gonna take your head, put it in between bread, make a soul sandwich so the Devil's well fed.

Gonna call your son, and hand you a gun, brainwash you as the Chosen One.

Gonna fight for the cause, though there's too many laws; feel the firm grip of Freedom's jaws!

The Government gives, as well as it takes,

like a wave pounds the shore, recedes and breaks.

Every Freedom has has a price to pay!

Like sand on the beach, slowly washes away! Seems there's less and less every day!

As time passes by, I notice the change, I hear Freedom ring, but, it sounds kinda strange; Do you know what Price you'll have to pay?!

Freedom!...Freedom!...Freedom!

Phenomenal women recognized for making a difference

LAURA PETERSEN
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For the fourth year in a row, Director of Multicultural Services Zephia Bryant has conducted a successful Phenomenal Women's luncheon.

"Often times people are not recognized for the great things they do," Bryant explained. "This is a great way to recognize the individual and it really encourages other women to get out there and make a difference."

With the purpose of recognizing women making a difference in the McDaniel College community whether they are faculty, staff or students, the Phenomenal Women award is given to a total of 30 women.

"This year we had 68 nominees," Bryant stated.

The nomination forms asked the members of the McDaniel College community, were asked to recognize women who made a difference. Look for women who have shown leadership and have gone above and beyond the call of duty. It also asked for women who are positive role models to others and are making a difference. Some forms had single paragraphs and some had numerous pages describing noteworthy women.

President of the Hispano-Latino Alliance, junior Faniiska Lopez-Gonzalez was recognized as one of



Two phenomenal women share conversation over lunch. It has been an annual event to honor and recognize McDaniel's phenomenal women with a lunch and ceremony.

the thirty phenomenal women.

"I was really surprised, it was really nice. Sort of like a thank you card for all I do," Lopez-Gonzalez smiled. "Someone sees something in me that should be recognized."

Through the Hispano-Latino Alliance, Lopez-Gonzalez tries to bring cultural awareness to all students, but it is a difficult task to

encourage students to attend events.

"I sometimes get discouraged," Lopez-Gonzalez confessed. "But I still do something."

Bryant believes that perseverance, leadership and trying to make is what the Phenomenal Women's award ultimately recognizes.

The April 8th event held in the

President's Dining Room included the recognition of the recipients and for the first time ever, former recipients speaking about their award.

Barbara Ward, Office Manager for Residence Life, received the Phenomenal Women's award last year. She spoke to the new recipients at the ceremony. Ward also

chose to read passages from a collection of artwork and poetry by women entitled, Anonymous Was a Woman.

"For a while, a woman's place was considered to be the home," Ward explained. "But now a woman's place is where ever she wants to be."

Found in the basement of Big Baker Chapel, Academic Secretary, Mardi Melendez, organizes documents for the foreign language department and tutors students in Spanish. As an award recipient, she wanted to comment on her happiness for being named a phenomenal woman but was too busy babysitting for a pregnant friend who was ready to go into labor. Melendez "dropped everything" to help her friend.

Like Melendez, Ward finds herself going out of her way to help others.

"I like people and doing things with others," Ward explained. "I think I am an average person but I just enjoy people."

Lopez-Gonzalez felt that she could relate to her fellow award recipients.

"It was a very intimate ceremony, conversing with the ladies," she explained. "We could really relate as women. It just felt really good that we were being thanked for our hard work and contributions to the school."

This Is The REMIX: BSU Fashion Show is "off da hook"

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On Saturday April 5, 2003 at 7:00, the Black Student Union held their annual spring fashion show. The extravagant evening began with a warm greeting by the master of ceremonies, Felicia Donelson; her dynamic personality set the mood for the night. The first scene "Trashy," consisted of the various models creative use of everyday materials, such as newspaper, food labels, and even garbage bags. Melanie Gamara strutted down the runway wearing a dress made out of food labels and Kimberly Boykin brightened the runway with her skirt made out of Skittles.

After getting dirty with the first scene the audience was cooled down by the performance of Carl and Raphael Taylor singing, "I want to know." The spectators swooned and swayed to their angelic voices.

From leaving heaven the audience was brought to their past in the "Evolution of Hip-Hop." The models grooved to the beats of the past, leaving the audience to dance in their seats. The next scene featured the designs of Kehinde and Taiwo, which featured Disney characters in elaborate designs; I never knew that Mickey Mouse could look soo good. The fourth

scene, "Give Me Da' Light" left the spectators yearning for summer and the beach. The models strode across the stage in their bathing suits while grooving to Sean Paul.

The intermission featured the McDaniel College Dance Company. They danced to Sean Paul's "Get Busy," which made the audience's temperature rise. Speaking of temperatures rising, scene 5 "The Tease" had all the women in the audience suffering from fever. This all male scene had Ebony fanning herself with her program. When asking Ebony her opinion of the sensual models Ebony stated; "this school can be a blessing at sometimes and this is one of those times." When discussing the "model men of McDaniel" LaRhonda Burns stated; "I wish that some of them weren't taken."

Now the men weren't forgotten in the all female scene 6, "Good vs. Bad." The men in the audience mouths were salivating to the contrasts of conservative and sexy clothing that the models were wearing.

In order to cure a fever you must be given an ice bath, and Kristina Cheek brought the audience back to Earth with her poem "The Controversy of Your Roots." Cheek left the audience pondering her message until scene 7 "Jean Machine." Lauren Sparrow and Tianna



Veronica Armstrong and Dinah Piles work the runway at the BSU Fashion Show, "This is the Remix." This is "the Jean Machine" scene, where some of the outfits are personal creations, others accent the personalities and styles of each model, and all of them are dangerous.

Johnson walked down the runway with their stylish jeans.

I'm going to make you an offer that you can't refuse in scene 8 "Gangsta's Ball." This scene featured the models in their formal wear, which left the audience in awe. After the ball ended Carl and Raphael Taylor sang "Back At One," leaving the audience speech-

less. The last scene "Jerzees" featured every jersey from Michael Jordan when he played for the Chicago Bulls to the Wizards. The models and coordinators walked across the stage with a sigh of relief, all of their hard work and dedication finally paid off and the show was over.

The BSU fashion show was an

event to remember. Each year the show progresses as new coordinators take lead and new models step on the scene. To many, this was the best fashion show they have seen, which means that the future holds much promise.

Guaranteed to have you screaming in your seat, the fashion show was the place to be Saturday.



60 SECONDS

you think people believe in stereotypes?
By Tiffany Lee



TIFFANY LEE

"Believing a stereotype is easier than it is to take the time out and effort to get to know people on an individual basis."

-Brad Walker '05
Communication



TIFFANY LEE

"Because their influenced by media and it's an easy way to say you know something instead of actually going out and learning about it."

-Chrystal Sterling '04
Biology



TIFFANY LEE

"Stereotypes are what most people use to explain why others are different from themselves. It's much easier to accept them than to form an original opinion about something."

-Ebony White '05
Sociology



TIFFANY LEE

"People develop stereotypes from their own experience. I think it's because of lack of education and exposure to different people. If a person is not open-minded they will not change their beliefs."

-Faniska Lopez-Gonzalez '04
Philosophy



TIFFANY LEE

"People believe stereotypes because of their misconceptions influenced by the media and plain ignorance."

-Felicia "Flecky" Donelson '05
Political Science



TIFFANY LEE

"I think people believe stereotypes because it's easier than thinking for yourself or taking the time to get to know the people that break the stereotype."

-Jacqui Kellner '04
Sociology

60 SECONDS is always looking for interesting questions to ask. What's on your mind? If you have a suggestion, please place it in the drop box at the information desk.

SPOTLIGHT ON SERVICE

Meals on wheels, rolling your way!

KATIE MARTIN
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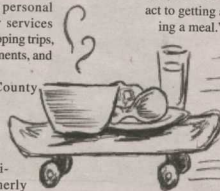
Meals on Wheels of Carroll County delivers approximately 39,000 meals to homebound people each year, deliveries made solely by volunteers. "We always look for volunteers," says Program Administrator Debbie Porterfield. "When students volunteer for us we love it, we love it."

Meals on Wheels is a non profit organization dedicated to enhancing quality of life for its clients through the provision of nutritious meals, personal contact, and other services such as grocery shopping trips, home safety assessments, and book orders.

The Carroll County branch of Meals on Wheels has been in operation since 1972, with its beginnings tied directly to the formerly known Western Maryland College. So-

put together to meet 2/3 of the daily nutritional requirements for an adult. While the central kitchen facility is a converted Safeway building in Baltimore, this process takes place at a Salvation Army Building. Volunteer deliverers then head out on pre planned routes in their own vehicles from 11 am to 1 pm to take the meals to the clients. One veteran volunteer, Mary Wessel, who visits approximately 6 houses every day said, "I know the satisfaction the clients get out of it. We can only stay a few minutes, but it is rewarding to see how they react to getting a visitor every day and enjoying a meal."

While the majority of volunteers are individuals, some organizations that have worked with Meals on Wheels include Westminster Union Bank, Change Inc, the



"People are just as hungry the day before Thanksgiving, and every other Thursday."

biology Professor Earl Griswald and his students conducted a survey to discover the needs of the elderly in the area. The survey identified a need for a Meals on Wheels program, which Carroll County's First Commission on Aging then helped to start.

Approximately 100 Meals on Wheels clients are currently served by 185 volunteers every Monday through Friday during the year, including holidays. Porterfield comments on how many focus on feeding the needy during Thanksgiving, but how Meals on Wheels tackles this task every day. "People are just as hungry the day before Thanksgiving, and every other Thursday," she says.

Being homebound determines clients eligibility, as they are therefore unable to shop or cook for themselves. Porterfield emphasizes the importance of the service done by volunteers because it allows people to remain independently living in their homes. "People can go directly home from a hospital or leave a rehabilitation center 2 weeks earlier...and when they are taking care of themselves that helps their self esteem"

Volunteer packers work each day from 9 am to 11 am, portioning and packing the meals. One hot meal and one cold meal are

Junior Women's League of Westminster, Lionses Clubs, Ladies of the Elks, Girl and Boy Scout Troops, various schools, and also some McDaniel College fraternities and sororities.

Not all volunteers work directly with the food packaging and distribution. Porterfield says, "some will make little favors or gifts that we distribute with the meals, and I am telling you it makes some of our clients cry to know that someone is thinking of them." The majority of the funding for Meals on Wheels comes from the federal government's Older Americans Act, but donations are another way one can aid Meals on Wheels.

"Donations from individuals, groups, organizations, and churches are huge contributions," Porterfield says. Meals on Wheels also fundraises through an annual culinary extravaganza in Baltimore.

Porterfield says, "Carroll County is unbelievable in giving us community support." Any students or organizations that are interested in volunteering during the school year or the summer is asked to call (410) 857-4447. One can also visit the Central Maryland Meals on Wheels online at www.emcals.org.

SGA CORNER

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Currently, the SGA has completed the surveys about how the students feel about adding more reading days during finals. The surveys covered the opinions of about one third of the student body, and SGA is in the process of compiling and analyzing the data. If the surveys indicate a want for more reading days, this issue will be addressed and hopefully changed by the end of next semester. The Academic Committee will focus on the survey responses for the remainder of the semester.

The executive elections for SGA have been pushed back and will now be held on April 15, 16, and 17. All underclassmen are encouraged to vote in this election. Elections for class officers will be held on April 22, 23, and 24. Look for campaign signs around campus to see who the candidates are.



This picture, featuring Bill Deavers and Chi Sukosi practicing for their upcoming recital, was stretched in the April 2 issue of the Phoenix. It appears correctly above.

Unsung Hero - Herb Smith: You Better Belize It

ROBBIE SAVILLE
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Mayan ruins, manatee preserves, and the second-largest barrier reef in the world are among the treasures he has been revealing to McDaniel College students for the past several years.

Dr. Herb Smith, a resident of Baltimore and a political science professor at McDaniel since 1973, provides students with the opportunity to fulfill their Jan term requirement in San Pedro, Belize, just below the tail of Mexico.

Dr. Smith was born in Bryn Mawr, PA and raised in Haverford, PA. He received his bachelor's degree from Ursinus College and his master's and doctorate degrees from Johns Hopkins University.

Smith's enthusiasm for Belize and the Caribbean Sea has helped "Fishing and Diving Belize" become one of McDaniel's most popular courses. Every January, Smith shares his passion with about 25 others, allowing each student to embark on a magical cultural adventure.

In 1997, Dr. Smith established "Fishing in the Florida Keys" as a spring break course for adventurous McDaniel students. The success of the experience led Smith to develop plans for a Belize excursion. A Jan term course in Belize was initially established in the 1970s, but was discontinued in 1973.

Smith revived the trip in 2000, venturing for the first time to San Pedro, Belize. Since then, he has become a familiar face to the locals of Belize, receiving cordial embraces from natives as he strolls down the dirt roads of San Pedro. Smith says he absorbs something new from Belize each year.

"How could I get tired of paradise?" he asks.

For Smith, part of the magic of Belize is observing students' reac-

tions to the island. Smith has two children, Megan, 26, and Tyler, 22, and says he shares the beauty of Belize with McDaniel's youth to recapture a sense of being a father figure.

"Taking students to San Pedro each year and sharing the magic of Belize is almost like a way of renewing myself as a father," Smith admits.

He encourages students to explore the island, and is delighted to see students return home with memories of an adventure filled with self-discovery and reflection.

"Belize is complex," Smith says. "It throws a lot at students in ten days, teaching them about a multitude of things, including information about Third World coun-



COURTESY OF HERB SMITH
Dr. Herb Smith is a professor of political science

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tries, the marine environment, snorkeling and fishing, how to travel and manage money, and how to eat and shop like a native."

Although Smith promotes the students' interaction with the island, he stresses the importance of safety while roaming San Pedro. "I want everyone to soak up as much as they can from this trip, but for those ten days, I am like the students' father and they are my sons and daughters," he says.

Smith is well-known for his efforts to incorporate cultural experiences at McDaniel, but he continues to make many other substantial contributions to the college community. He is the faculty sponsor of the Maryland Student Legislature, which is a simulation of the Maryland General Assembly. Students from 14 Maryland colleges meet twice a year to consider student-drafted legislation. The

may stem from his avid and enthusiastic approach to teaching. Senior Kate Moomau says, "Dr. Smith helps students learn valuable life lessons, including how to get to know and talk to people. He gets you thinking about what would be the best thing for you to do in life, particularly concerning what field of interest you should pursue."

Students claim that Smith's style of teaching is difficult, yet ultimately rewarding. "Dr. Smith says that he wants students to be able to analyze data and make a constructive, rational conclusion about what is being presented to them," Moomau says.

Each of Smith's political science students is required to contribute 25 hours of hands-on experi-

ble together that we will never forget, and Herb Smith was a big part of that," Waller says.

Dr. Brian Wladkowski, a chemistry professor at McDaniel and a supervisor for the Belize trip, says that Smith had to overcome many obstacles to make the Belize trip possible. "It was hard to convince the administration that this trip is educational, safe, consistent with the curriculum, and cost-effective," says Wladkowski. "Dr. Smith picked a fun, educational place, and a lot of faculty members don't know this."

Wladkowski comments Smith's dedication to his students, and also believes that he is interested in getting to know his students as people.

"Herb believes that if you get to know students, they are interesting, intelligent, and entertaining people," says Wladkowski. "Some faculty members focus on the small size of the college and dismiss certain students, choosing to focus only on the brightest students. They miss out on getting to know students, and that really is what the core of the Belize course is about."

Herb Smith is a valuable asset to McDaniel College. He is a professor who takes a sincere interest in the well-being and knowledge of his students. His development of the Jan term course in Belize has inspired students to explore other cultures in the future, and also provides them with memories that will last forever.

As a political science professor, Smith's creative approach to student learning excites his students, and his imaginative style allows them to apply his lectures to their lives. As a professor, a political contributor, and an international excursionist, Herb Smith cultivates his passions into the lives of his students and encourages them to grow into rational, respected adults.

Travel Time: This trip was truly a BIG catch

STACI GEORGE
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This edition of Travel Time features Dr. Herb Smith, professor of political science, and chemistry professor Brian Wladkowski's annual spring break trip to the Florida Keys. Smith says this was his seventh year doing the fishing trip. They stayed in the town of Marathon, which is on the island of Vaca Key. It was a week of improving one's fishing skills, perhaps the first time someone had ever fished in the Keys, and also time to partake in other activities the town has to offer.



COURTESY OF HERB SMITH
Eight students join Dr. Herb Smith, his wife Beth, and Dr. Brian Wladkowski for the 7th annual spring break trip to the Florida Keys

"It was another great week in Conch Republic (inside joke). We had fabulous weather, great fishing, and a great group of students." - Dr. Herb Smith



COURTESY OF HERB SMITH
Brian Wladkowski, Chemistry professor, and senior Tom Wolfe proudly show the barracuda they just caught.

Opening Night for "Children of a Lesser God" days away

STACI GEORGE
Commentary Editor

Show time for "Children of a Lesser God" is right around the corner. Rehearsals, set construction, and costume fittings will soon turn into the reality of opening night.

Freshman Katie Hickey, who portrays "Lydia," responded in an e-mail sent on April 10 that a lot is going on behind the scenes like costume fittings, gathering props, hanging lights, and finishing the set.

At press deadline (April 11), the show was about a week and half away.

"Every show I always say I want another week, that I need another week of rehearsals," said director Paul Harrelson in a sort of joking manner before he concluded that this time the wishful extra week will not be necessary.

"We got a very talented cast. I know it will all come together." The only challenge he's worrying about is Easter Weekend, which will mean two (if they decide to rehearse on Sunday night) or three less days of rehearsal.

Harrelson said the week before Easter will be the tech rehearsals and the days after will be dress rehearsals, before the show opens on Wednesday, April 23.

During rehearsals, the cast is working on developing their characters and what he/she would be feeling at a given time in each

scene. "It's always easier to 'feel' your character once your off book," Hickey agreed.

Sign master Abbey Roin, a kindergarten teacher at the Maryland School for the Deaf (STACI NEEDS TO CHECK THIS), has been diligently working with the cast to improve their signing skills and get their lines down more fluently.

Several cast members will have to speak their lines as well as signing them, depending on who they are interacting with in a scene.

Harrelson compared Roin's job with the show like that of a voice instructor.

Whereas a voice coach helps create an accent or certain tone in one's voice so that the actor's announcement and rhythm is perfect, Roin is responsible for how the actors look when they are signing and make sure they are signing the right words rather than inaccurately signing their lines.

In addition, she will be the sign interpreter during Friday and Saturday nights' performances.

But a deaf audience member will be able to attend any show because there will be a

screen with surtitles (which are on top, rather than on the bottom like subtitles).

Harrelson said surtitles are used in opera so people can read the English translation of what is being sung in Italian, but rarely are surtitles used in theatre.

This show has been enlightening and eye-opening experience for the cast members who may not have known too much about sign language or the deaf culture before.

Working with Bobbie Jo Duffy, who portrays "Sarah", is the first time some actors have had communicate with a deaf cast member during rehearsal. "I find it so exciting when I can communicate with Bobbie Jo during rehearsal."

I feel bad because my signing is very choppy and my knowledge of ASL is limited, but Bobbie Jo is very nice about it," explained Hickey. She continued: "This play has been such an awesome learning and growing experience for me and probably all of the cast members who have never really been exposed to the deaf culture."

It's amazing what you can learn in a month."

Fellow cast member LaShawn Eley had this to say about her role in the show: "I'm kind of honored to get one of two hearing female roles and glad to have a less hectic

rehearsal schedule so soon after Threepenney Opera ended.

I get to play a lawyer, which is wanted to be until acting stole my heart."

She had another good reason for doing this show. "It's a good practice for when I live in the ASL house next year and (before the show) I only knew minimal sign language."



The show runs Wednesday, April 23 through Saturday, April 26 at 8 p.m. in the Alumni Hall Understage.

There will be a Sunday afternoon matinee at 2:00 p.m. Contact the box office for more information.

The next issue will feature a review of Children of a Lesser God.

Unsung Hero: What it truly means to be "changing lives"

BRIAN PATTERSON
Staff Writer

He has spent over 40 hours a week for the past three years working with students on campus. In spite of all this, very few members of the McDaniel College Community know who he is. So, who is Josh Foster?

Foster, a Western Maryland College alumnus, graduated in 1996 with a self-designed major in sports journalism. After career opportunities failed to open up in that field, Foster was called into ministry. Today he is one of two InterVarsity Christian Fellowship (IVCF) staff members assigned to ministry work at McDaniel College.

This group was founded to establish a Christian community on campus and to provide resources for students curious about learning more on Christianity. As a staff member, Foster acts as a facilitator for students and also helps to organize several campus events.

"God called me into ministry," said Foster. "I have a real love for this campus and I have a passion for helping people connect to God." Foster really enjoys working with students on a spiritual level. This passion for helping others has evolved into the steady growth of the Christian Fellowship on campus. The group has grown from 40 members in 1999 when Foster first began working on campus to a current total of 85 members.

Wednesday night fellowship features a prayer-and-worship session as well as guest speakers who touch on a variety of topics. Recent guest speakers have touched on issues such as sex in college, relationships, and the importance of diversity. For many members, Wednesday night doesn't just bring closure to "thump day," it's a night where good friends come together in fellowship and the highlight of the day.

His partner, Beth Coombs, is a part-time staff member who spends 20 hours a week on campus while also working on fundraising. She sees how important Foster is to students in the Christian Fellowship.

"Josh invests in the students, so they don't empty themselves," said Coombs.

Foster considers his first priority to be about by working with Josh," said Michael. His experiences through fellowship and with Foster have strongly influenced the steps he plans to take with his future.

Jodi Martin, a senior communications major, also shares the same opinion. "He makes time to support people and to get to know them," said Foster. McDaniel College is the college that changes lives, and Foster is doing his part to insure this. Although he organizes these student-run small groups and gets to know students on a personal level, Foster helps organize events like coffee houses



COURTESY OF JOSH FOSTER

Josh Foster, as a part of the InterVarsity Christian Fellowship staff, considers students his first priority.

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ministry, in part due to the example Foster set for him.

"I've been able to see what ministry is all

Foster really enjoys working with students on a spiritual level. This passion for helping others has evolved into the steady growth of the Christian Fellowship on campus.

about new ideas and new people," said Sam Renner, sophomore. He enjoys being a member of Christian Fellowship and having that one-on-one relationship with Foster. "People don't recognize him as a leader, but he is very much influential."

Renner was able to explore ideas about God through a small-group Bible study, an integral part of any college fellowship. Be-

ing a part of this organization changed his life and he is now a small-group Bible study leader. Foster also serves as a guidance counselor to students, even if they don't plan on working under IVCF.

He is always looking for students who possess qualities that would make them good ministers and strong spiritual advisors. Matt Michael, a math major, plans to go into youth

and the 30-hour famine, a fund-raiser in which the fellowship raised over \$2,000 to help combat world hunger.

Each semester the fellowship puts together The Edge, an event that Foster is particularly proud of. It combines popular culture and spiritual issues to provide a safe environment for students to talk about Christ and spiritual issues while relating it to life. The last Edge, held in February, featured clips from the movie "Minority Report."

In addition to the movie, the Edge includes free food, live music, and a speaker who relates the movie to everyday trials and tribulations and Christianity. According to Foster, this mixture of pop culture and religion reassures students that this is not an event where they will be "preached to."

IVCF staff workers are required to raise an average of \$45,000 every year in order to support their ministry. This includes a period of 18 months of fundraising before a staff worker can begin their campus ministry. The money goes to help subsidize salary, benefits, and ministry budget; it is raised through donations from family, friends, and local churches.

Several members of IVCF at McDaniel agree that Foster doesn't receive much recognition, but that is the way it should be. The Christian Fellowship is a student organization, and praise does not go to the staff. However, according to Michael, the fellowship wouldn't be able to do much without Foster, such as their weekend retreats and conferences that call students to learn more about Christianity away from campus.

Even with the success Foster has had at McDaniel, he plans to move on at some point. He knows his future lies elsewhere, but he still isn't sure about what that will entail.

"I have a heart for this campus," said Foster, "but God has other things He'll call me to eventually." For the time being, he will continue to equip Christian students with the skills necessary to reach out to others on campus and to become student leaders. "I want to help people know [God]."

Time management is the key to this life and Cramp executes that exceptionally.

DAVID

Following March Madness, Craig Johnson describes the Tourney of the "Mascots"

During a first round game between Utah University and the University of Oregon at this year's NCAA basketball tournament, a fight broke out between the mascots from each team. Things became heated when "Swoop," Utah's red-tailed hawk, who was on stilts, ripped off the Oregon Duck's oversized head. This incident sparked a brief shoving match, followed by an animated argument between the costumed characters.

After hearing news of the event, I got to thinking: who is the toughest mascot out there? So against this backdrop I bring you my Elite Fight of mascots from this year's NCAA tournament, and how I envision events playing out if they ever put the gloves on and mixed it up, no holds barred.

First Round:

Stanford "Tree" vs. "Sparty the Spartan" (Michigan State)

I think this one is pretty self-explanatory: "Sparty" has big muscles, lots of armor, and a sword. Think "Gladiator," the cartoon version. The Stanford tree is, well, a tree. No arms, no legs, no chance.
Pick: "Sparty the Spartan"

Oregon Duck vs. "Otto the Orange" (Syracuse)

You've never seen a piece of citrus fruit this tough. He's like Dikta with your recommended daily allowance of Vitamin C. There may be a lot of quacking and flapping, but in the end, this one's not for the birds.
Pick: "Otto the Orange"

"Bucky Badger" (Wisconsin) vs. "The Deacon" (Wake Forest)

This one was a tough call. "Bucky" is quick and wiry, qualities that earned him an Ultimate Fighting Championship two years ago. But the Demon Deacon is the Muhammad

Ali of this competition. He's a bad man.
Pick: "The Deacon"

"Big Al the Elephant" (Alabama) vs. "Albert the Gator" (Florida)

In the biggest mismatch of the tournament, victory is served on a platter when "Big Al" accidentally falls asleep during the fight. This is the biggest meal "Albert" has had since they closed down Sizzler.
Pick: "Albert the Gator"

Semifinals:

"Sparty the Spartan" (Michigan State) vs. "Otto the Orange" (Syracuse)

On the brink of elimination, "Otto" is driven to desperate measures when he administers an ultimate wedgie. The lesson to be learned from this bout? Never wear chain mail underwear.
Pick: "Otto the Orange"

"The Deacon" (Wake Forest) vs. "Albert the Gator" (Florida)

The old saying goes, "if you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen." Of course the Florida swamp is no place to be either. Home court advantage reigns supreme as dehydration does in the old man.
Pick: "Albert the Gator"

The Final:

"Otto the Orange" (Syracuse) vs. "Albert the Gator" (Florida)

Haunted by memories of his all orange diet back in '93, "Albert" is unable to bring his "A" game. A sucker punch and a well-timed squirt of fruit juice to the eye seals his fate, as "Otto" walk away with the crown.

Champion: "Otto the Orange"



Senior left-hander Dave Roberts prepares to throw.

DAVID SINCLAIR

Green Terror Baseball is atop the Centennial Conference standings

GREG LEDERER
Sports Editor

Despite poor weather conditions, the 2003 campaign for the McDaniel College baseball team has been one the program's strongest ever.

Atop the conference with a 8-1-1, 13-4 overall record, the team is definitely a front runner to take the Conference crown in the coming weeks ahead.

Most recently, the team visited Allentown, PA on April 6th to face conference foe, Muhlenberg College. The Green Terror continued their strong play with a sweep in the double header by scores of 9-8 and 10-3.

In the opening game, the Mules took the lead early, amassing a 3-1 lead before McDaniel responded in the fifth with a six run surge and held on for a slim 9-8 victory.

Sophomore right-hander Matt Cornelius picked up the win the contest, and senior right hander Mike Geaneas picked up the save.

In the night cap, the Green Terror used another big inning to lead them to their 11th win of the season.

Down 3-0, the team scored 8 runs in the top of the fourth to cruise to a 10-3 win on the road. Senior Jeff Starcher picked up the victory for the team.

The squad looked to continue their strong play when they hosted bitter conference rival, Gettysburg College on April 4th. In a game controlled by offense, the teams wouldn't get to finish it as darkness canceled the contest with the score knotted at 8-8.

McDaniel struck first with 2 runs in the first inning, spearheaded by a hard hit triple from Geaneas. The Bullets took the lead with 2 runs in the second and third innings, before the Green Terror knotted the game again in the fifth, with another 2 runs.

Gettysburg would take the lead back again, grabbing a 8-5 advantage going into the 8th inning, before the McDaniel re-

sponded with another 3 runs to tie the game at 8-8 before darkness called the game. The Green Terror offense was by Geaneas, who had 3 hits in the contest and 2 RBIs.

McDaniel put on a dominating performance against Washington College on April 2nd.

Down 1-0, the Green Terror used six runs in the second innings and four more in the sixth to cruise to a 15-5 win. Junior Ryan Sholtzberger hit a long home run and had another hit to lead the squad.

Senior Todd Huber and Kevin Kozak also had 2 hits in the contest. On the mound, senior Dave Roberts picked up the victory for the team, yielding three runs over sixth innings and striking out seven batters.

With the conference's best record at this point in the season, the team is poised to make a strong run at the Conference Championship.

Want to take a fun day out at the ball park?

Tickets can so expensive these, but the Phoenix would love to help you out.

If you share you experience in a sports column in the next edition of the Phoenix, the paper will reimburse you for your ticket.



"Ally," the Florida Gator performed strongly, but came up short in the contest of the mascots.

Student's night at Camden Yards: A cheap ticket to fun

RYAN BROD
Assistant Sports Editor

From the Owings Mills Metro, to Lexington Market, to the gate of Camden Yards, it's only a thirty-five minute trip. Three dollars for each train, five for an upper deck seat in the ballpark, with proof of a college ID: the result is a cheap way to a fun night.

Even though the seats aren't exactly sought after and you may experience occasional bleeding from the nose, there really is not a bad seat in the house. The leg room is much more accommodating than Fenway Park, where I've seen most of my MLB games.

Even the fans in Baltimore are well-sprited and friendly, considering how terrible the Orioles have been in the past few years.

Recently I was fortunate enough to watch the visiting Red Sox take on the Orioles in what was probably the most bizarre sporting event I've witnessed.

The game was played April 4th, with a light mist flying and temperatures hovering in the low forties: not exactly ideal conditions for baseball. To my right were two Red Sox faithful, who'd apparently been drinking since early that morning.

To my left, two elderly folks huddled together in silence, making occasional comments about the weather. In front of me was a group of fraternity students from UMass-Amherst bearing homemade Red Sox jerseys. On the back their names read 'Drunk,' with the number '24/7' below. Had the Sox made a new bullpen acquisition, I wondered?

The game itself was fairly uneventful until the sixth inning, when the Sox hit a pair of homers. Then, in the bottom half of the inning all hell broke loose.

A fan apparently leaped from the right field line seats (not the scoreboard...that would have been ugly) sporting nothing but his boxers and hair that would make Kwame Brown green with envy. Obviously intoxicated, he proceeded to gallop across the outfield expanse, where he ran circles around amazingly patient security officers.

Then, he sprinted at an impressive pace down the third base line into the batter's box, where he toted imaginary lumber and pointed skyward towards the center field fence. Babe Ruth would have been proud.

The streakers' glory was short lived as he was gang-tackled and arrested in a heap on home plate. The fans saluted the streaker as he was hauled off, still smiling, ending quite possibly the funniest moment of my life.

To be expected, the game took a back seat to such drama. But eventually, the Sox had nearly blown a six run lead and the Orioles had a chance to tie the game.

On a long single by Tony Batista, shortstop Deivi Cruz was thrown out at the plate on a very controversial call to end the game. He didn't have streaker speed, I thought. Boston had won, 8-7.

By the end of the game, the two Sox-faithful to my right were slurring their 'Nomah's' and spilling beer all over the aisle. I think the couple to my left had fallen asleep sometime after the third inning. And sadly enough, the fraternity crew had been escorted out by ballpark security.

The moral of the story: five dollars can pay for a lot. I'm not guaranteeing you'll see a streaker, sit between grandma and Dave Attell, or get lucky enough to witness a close game. But you'll definitely have fun.



Oriole Park at Camden Yards always has a big crowd.

Phoenix Sports Trivia Answers

1. Who is the only NBA player to order takeout on the bench during a game?
Answer: Quintin Dailey

2. Who is the only NBA coach whose team scored 184 points in one game and lost?
Answer: Doug Moe

3. Who is the only major league baseball player to reach base in 74 consecutive games?
Answer: Joe DiMaggio

4. Who is the only manager in major league baseball history to lose a game because his team ran out of baseballs?
Answer: Jack McCloskey

5. Who is the only major league baseball player to hit his one big league home run off his brother?
Answer: Joe Niekro

6. Who is the only shortstop in major league baseball history to commit 6 errors in a single game?
Answer: Bill O'Neill

7. Who is the player with most rebounds (34) in an Men's Division I NCAA Tournament game?
Answer: Fred Cohen

8. Who is the player with the most points (61) in a single NCAA Tournament game?
Answer: Austin Carr

Phoenix Sports Trivia

1. Who is the only Coach whose team lost by 30 points in an NCAA Championship game?

2. The only individual to play in at least three NCAA Championship games and to coach in at least three?

3. Who is the only NBA player elected to the U.S. Senate?

4. Who is the only NBA Franchise to win the NBA Championship 16 times?

5. Who is the only major league baseball player to hit three home runs in an Opening Day game?

6. Who is the only major league baseball player with four home runs in one game and three triples in another?

7. Who is the only major league baseball player to start a triple play with his forehead?

8. Who is the only NCAA college basketball team to come back and win a game after being down 28-0?

9. Who is the only NBA player with more than 8,000 rebounds and 6,000 assists?

10. Who is the only NBA player to hit a three point shot in 79 games in a row?

McDaniel Tennis squads continue to struggle, hoping for strong finish to season

GREG LEDNER

Sports Editor

It has been a rough early season for the McDaniel Men's and Women's Tennis teams as they currently have records of 1-4 and 0-3, respectively.

On the Men's side, the squad recently fell to conference foes, Gettysburg and Washington College.

Most recently, the team was swept at Washington College by a score of 5-0. It was a mismatch for the Green Terror, facing one of the strongest teams in the country in Division Three Tennis.

In the Gettysburg match on April 1st, the Green Terror lost by a score of 5-2.

Victories were picked up by senior Chad Lovett at the fourth spot, with a 6-0, 6-1 win over Andy Smith and junior Matt Wolfe who in straight sets 6-2, 6-2 over John DeVito in the sixth spot. The Green Terror combination of Lovett and junior Craig Johnson also picked

up a doubles victory over Devito and Post by a 7-9 score.

Most recently, the McDaniel Women fell to conference opponents Washington College and Dickinson College by scores of 7-0 and 9-0.

Despite the struggles of this season, the team is confident that the future of the program will take an up turn in the next couple of years.

The Phoenix Sports section is always looks for eager people to cover the many sports on campus, or just discuss their thoughts in one of our famous sports Columns.

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Men's Lacrosse team remains perfect in Centennial Conf.

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The Green Terror's Lacrosse team continued their undefeated streak with a win on Sunday, over Ursinus in Centennial Conference men's action, improving their record to 9-0. Joe Ellis scored the game-winner with 1:54 remaining in the first quarter as well as netting four more and assisting on an additional three. This contributed to their overwhelming 13-1 half-time lead.

The team out-shot Muhlenberg 8-1 in the second period, and scored on half of those eight shots to upend the Mules, 15-4 on April 5th. Rob Weaver scored the first goal of the second quarter, and assisted on the other three in route to a nine point afternoon.

Weaver finished the game with seven assists. Senior attacker, Joe Ellis scored the game's first two goals followed, senior Sam Katz nailed the game-winner just 3:14 into the second quarter. McDaniel's starting keeper, Mike Korba, turned away seven shots, and allowed a pair through three quarters.

Muhlenberg's first goal of the game came from the stick of James

Robinson, who took advantage of the Mules extra-player with 6:18 left in the first quarter. Muhlenberg would not score again for the next 18:30 of play.

Joe Ellis scored five goals and assisted on another as the Green Terror defeated Swarthmore 11-6 in Centennial Conference men's lacrosse action at Clothier Field on Saturday.

Ellis scored two of the first four goals of the game, alternating with Pete Shaffer to run the team out to a 4-0 start before Swarthmore's Pat Friel answered with a man-up goal early in the second period. Swarthmore added another goal on an extra-man opportunity to half the lead. McDaniel was unable to pull away from the Garnett Tide throughout much of the contest, and never led by more than four until the final quarter.

Ellis accounted for two-thirds of the team's fourth quarter offense, scoring a pair of goals. He also tallied the game-winner in the third quarter.



Senior attacker Joe Ellis has been one the best performers on this year's undefeated Men's lac team.

DAVID SINCLAIR

Phoenix Sports Schedule

Baseball
@ Johns Hopkins

April 18th
3:30 pm

Men's Lacrosse

@ Franklin & Marshall
April 16th
3:30 pm

Women's Lacrosse

Muhlenberg
April 18th
3:00 pm

Softball

Muhlenberg
April 18th
3:00 pm

Track & Field

Twilight #4
April 16th

Men's Tennis

@ Franklin & Marshall
April 19th
1:00 pm

Women's Tennis

@ Johns Hopkins
April 16th
3:30 pm

Men's Golf

@ King's Inv.
April 21st



Softball ace pitcher Sam Abrams delivers the heat.

DAVID SINCLAIR

McDaniel Softball team rides nine game winning streak

GREG LEDERER
Sports Editor

After getting off to a slow start, the McDaniel College Softball team has unbeatable as of late.

The squad, riding a nine game winning streak, has started the Centennial Conference schedule with a bang.

Most recently, the team looked to keep their winning streak alive in a double header against non-conference foe, Messiah College.

The Green Terror used strong offense to dominate the first game 7-0, and strong pitching to win the night cap 2-1.

In the early game, McDaniel used a six run first inning to jump on the Falcons instantly, and junior hurler Sam Abrams pitched the shutout, yielding only one hit in the complete game victory. For the Green Terror, junior Kim Camponelli had three hits on the day with one RBI.

The second game saw a different tone, as the Falcons quieted the normally potent Green Terror offense.

Messiah jumped out to the early lead with a run in the first inning, and kept McDaniel scoreless for most the contest.

The Green Terror responded in the seventh inning when they tied the game on a sacrifice fly from Camponelli. The game would go into extra innings, until the top of the 10th when McDaniel picked up what would be the winning run on

a sacrifice fly from junior Lauren Cramer. Despite a quiet day at the plate, Camponelli pitched all 10 innings for the victory, yielding only one earned run and improving her record to 4-2 on the season.

On April 3rd, the team hosted conference rival Franklin & Marshall for another double header.

The Green Terror crushed the Diplomats in the first game, but needed to work to pull out a come from behind victory in the nightcap.

In the first game, McDaniel scored early and often, with 2 runs in the second, 1 in the third, and four more in the sixth to lead to the 7-0 rout.

Freshman Megan Mitchell began the scoring with a 2 run homer and junior Heather Sinclair and Cramer had 2 hits in the win.

On the mound, Abrams shut-down the Diplomats, throwing another complete game shutout with five strikeouts.

In the nightcap, F & M took the early lead in the contest, piling up a 4-1 advantage after five innings. Unfortunately for the Diplomats, the Green Terror offense came alive in the sixth, scoring 9 runs in route to a 10-5 victory.

The offensive surge was spearheaded by long homers from Sinclair and Cramer. Camponelli didn't dominate on the mound, but finished with a complete game and three strikeouts.



Flinging in the Rain: Spring Fling on the Hill

Katie Champion
News Editor

For some it started earlier than others.

Spring Fling weekend, notoriously known for good entertainment, parties and nice weather on the quad had students out and about last weekend- some as the sun came up Saturday morning.

This year's theme, "The Ride of Your Life" brought new events and activities for students.

The toilet races were one of many new events for students this year. Motorized toilet bowls with handlebars proved to be a challenge to even the most experienced drivers.

The weekend was previewed by different events throughout the week. Some of the more popular events include Jeopardy in the Forum on Tuesday night, a comedian

in the Pub on Thursday night and fortune tellers on Friday night.

"Jeopardy was pretty cool," junior Toby McIntire said. "I didn't get up to campus though on Saturday because of the weather though."

The rainy weather seemed to keep an unusually high number of students inside on Saturday.

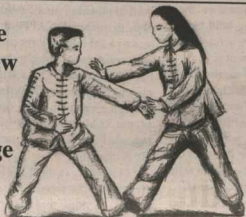
"It sounded like they had a lot of good events set up for us but the

rain kept me from going up to campus like in the past," junior Erin Cullison said.

Wax hands, free tie-dyed t-shirts and a spin off of MTV's "I Bet You Will," entertained the students who did come out to the Forum.

"It wasn't as much fun because we couldn't be outside," said sophomore Steve Shockney. "I did like the toilet races though."

Learn more about the new gym class Hsing-I, story on page 3.



Peace Flag Project now on campus

Staci George
Commentary Editor

In recent weeks, there have been prayer vigils, a teach-in, a Peace Picnic, and discussion groups to deal with the McDaniel College community's feelings and concerns about the war in Iraq. These events included the display of the Peace Flag Project, where people could sign the flag or make their own.

According to Christina Collins Smith, a poet/artist/non-traditional

student at McDaniel College, "this is a collaborative community art project that has been on-going since the year 2000. Flags have been made by people from around the world and displayed at Common Ground on the Hill events in the United States and Scotland."

The blue pamphlet, created by Collins Smith, provided to each who stopped by to sign or admire the flag, says that Collins Smith "designed the Peace Flag Project as a living, collaborative work of hopeful expression, where each art-

ist, musician, family, classroom, and group who participates may add their own dreamvision and prayer for harmony in our diverse world..."

Mahlia Joyce had heard of Collins Smith's project and suggested it to Eric Whitehair and Faniska Lopez-Gonzalez. These three students, and a few others, have been the planning and organizing board of the various peace-related events. They were eager to have Collins Smith's project on display.

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Class of '03 Honors

The following students were recognized at the Senior Investiture & Honors Convocation, held on May 4th:

Cara Jacobson, Malcolm L. Meltzer Psychology Award
Mahlia Joyce and Victoria Kollar, Frank and Margaret Malone Award for Excellence in a Foreign Language
Brandi Livesay, Matthew Michael, and Tiffany Putro, Michael & Polly Beaver Award for Excellence in Education
David Proffil, Clyde A. Spicer Award
Jennifer Callas, Makosky Award for Excellence in English
Stephanie Knight, H.P. Sturdivant Biology Award
Holly Thompson, Esther Smith Award
Andrew Ewing and Ellen Miller, Phi Delta Gamma Award
David Proffil, The David Brian Cross Memorial Award for Achievement in Mathematics
Kimberly Schlippner, United States History Award
Andrew Ewing and Melissa Pingley, Wall Street Journal Student Achievement Award

Laura Gibson, M. Louise Shipley Art Award of Excellence
Sara Hansen and Blair Heinke, Eloise B. & Lowell S. Ensor Memorial Award for Graduate or Professional Study

Patricia Jimenez, Jeanette Prante, and Adam Silverman, The Class of 1938 Award for Excellence in Music
Jessica Fitzgerald, Robert Joseph Weber Award for Excellence in Political Science and International Studies

Allen Silfee, The Award for Excellence in Chemistry or Biochemistry
Jessica Harris, The Richard A. Clower Award for Excellence in Exercise Science and Physical Education

Kristen Love, The McLuhan Award for Excellence in Communication
Jennifer Ballard, Maria Leonard Senior Book Award
Jamin Bartolomeo, Greek Man of the Year

Rachelle Giguere, Greek Woman of the Year
Erin Collins, The Elizabeth Lintz Burkhardt Memorial Service Award
Heanyichukwu Ani, Jennifer Bruce, and Christine Johnson, Steve Robert Wilson '75 Memorial Award

Alana Stubbs, Charles W. Havens Award
Colby Cook, John D. Nawrocki Memorial Award
Jamin Bartolomeo, Erin Collins, Stephanie Knight, and David Trader, Student Government Assembly Award

Billy Bobbitt, Michael L. Waghelstein Memorial Award
Jamin Bartolomeo and Jessica Fitzgerald, Alumni Citizenship Award
Mohindra Ramphal, Lynn F. Gruber Medal

Heanyichukwu Ani, John A. Alexander Medal
Melissa Merson, Faith Millard Medal
Stephanie Knight, The Mary Ward Prize

Andrew Ewing, The Bates Prize
Dr. Donna Evergetts and Dr. Jeffrey Marx were also recognized.

Alumni Weekend '03



North Village, home of freshmen

Brian Patterson
Staff Writer

Would you rather have your own kitchen and live in the newest housing on campus? If so, you most likely could have lived in the North Village by simply filling out an application.

It just so happens if you are a current sophomore or junior you could have beaten out the two groups of current freshmen who will be living in six-person North Village apartments next year.

By the fall semester there will be a total of six North Village apartment complexes. This semester the demand was high for five-person apartments, but not for the six-person ones. This allowed current freshmen access to the new apartments.

"There were several students who felt it wasn't fair that freshmen got into the North Village," said Elizabeth Towle, associate dean of Students Affairs. "All I can say is that the freshmen followed the process."

At the end of the application process for campus apartments 10 groups of students were declined five-person apartments, while just enough groups applied to fill all the six-person apartments, according to Towle. One of the reasons Towle believes this happened is because students wanted to live in singles as opposed to the doubles offered in the six-person apartments.

"Another reason could be that students just felt like they didn't have a shot at the North Village,"

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Sounds of Music on the Hill this spring...of lack thereof

Katie Martin
Assistant News Editor

Cam'ron performed at a Frostburg State University sponsored show this spring, while Third Eye Blind, Good Charlotte, and Ludicrous played at UMBC, and Tonic even made an appearance at nearby Gettysburg College. However, students have yet to receive an Emie Logo voicemail message announcing an upcoming spring concert at McDaniel.

"Currently there is no event planned, and there won't be for the rest of the semester," says Mary Lee Pence, who is in charge of CAPBoard's Mainstage Committee. She explained, "The main reason we don't have a concert this year is due to the financial setback we experienced from the unpopular concerts last year."

Mitchell Alexander, director of college activities and CAPBoard co-advisor, added that the spring concert is usually held every other year. An attempt was made to hold a concert this year, but there was not enough money made last year.

Music events last spring featured the band Dropkick Murphy's and two rappers called The Farside. Pence said, "We thought if we mixed the two musical genres we would appeal to a wider audience." However, this did not happen as the concert was attended by maybe about 100 students, according to Alexander.

"I actually got to hang out with the band after last year's show and they were like 'What happened?'" said Neal Pace, a local musician and McDaniel student. "Dropkick Murphy's alone can fill Nation [a concert venue in Washington, DC]," he added.

Felicia Donelson, the CAPBoard Second

Stage committee leader, discussed the issue of student turnout saying, "It seems that when we do have musical entertainment, students don't come out to support it." She described only a "helping" of students who came out to smaller music events held this year.

These events included the eclectic Sugar Jones Band, the jazz-based Project Natale, and numerous local bands at the day-long Jam for Sudan. A band called The Spin, and musicians Jen Shankman and Eric Hutchinson played at Spring Fling as well.

"The Jam for Sudan was pretty good, it's fun to watch local bands play. But, they need to do a better job advertising because I never know if and when bands are coming to campus," said Freshman Ryan Brod, offering one explanation for low student attendance at music events. Referring to large concerts, Pace added, "Events are marketed inadequately to students, they need to be given a bigger price break, and the concert needs to be a bigger deal, with more publicity."

Another student, Dave Murray, commented, "I think the music events here really suck and I have gone to other colleges to see big name artists perform on their campuses...I would go if they held bigger events here with artists who are actually recognized instead of random townies."

There have been some well-known bands brought to campus in the past, including Eve 6, Real Big Fish, Dogs Eye View, and They Might Be Giants. Pence of CAPBoard commented, "Everyone always wants to see bands like Dave Matthews or N'Sync, but we really have a very limited budget which works with and could not afford such concerts."

SGA President Janin Bartolomeo ex-

plained on this, saying "It's all in the \$ signs, if we don't pull in the big picture that everyone knows, then no one will show up—and that is unfortunate." "Some of these groups ask for \$75-80,000 for a show," he added.

According to Alexander, McDaniel only has approximately \$20-30,000 available for such events. "We don't get a whole lot of pickins with the bands in our price fee window," he explained.

Music events are paid for jointly from funds from previous years, contributions from the SGA, and CAPBoard Mainstage funds. Bartolomeo said, "Every year the SGA chips in \$8-9,000 for the concert, but this year they decided not to do it, so we used the money for other things." The other unemployed funds will "sit in limbo on the budget line to be used in the future," according to Alexander.

In addition to finding a band that fits in the price range, CAPBoard must coordinate with sports schedules for the availability of the gym and then find a band that is available and touring on the chosen date. "A lot of people fail to realize the hard work that CAPBoard actually does," said Pence in regard to planning music events. "One plan, discussed by CAPBoard two years ago, was to hold a large joint concert with other area colleges in order to bring in a bigger band for students. This fell through, according to Alexander, as Gettysburg College had enough money to hold their own event, Mount St Mary's had the site but no funding, and Frederick Community College simply backed out.

However, several McDaniel students clearly emphasized the need for music events. "I think that there are not enough

music events," Page commented. Brod echoed this saying, "I wish there were more frequent music events." Alexander stressed the importance of music events on campus as well, saying, "I think it is very important to have such events, it gives students something to do. Now whether they show up is another story."

CAPBoard members highly encourage student involvement through planning and attending such events. Donelson emphasized "If you really want to get an actual specific band to come, then come to the meetings, get involved, and push for it, and if you don't want to come to the meetings then there is a highly decorated colorful suggestion box at the information desk...If you want to make a change, then get involved."

Anyone interested in becoming involved with CAPBoard, to plan music entertainment events or other campus events, is asked to call the CAPBoard office at ext. 2759.

Senior Week Events

Tues. 5/20: Frederick Keys Game

Wed. 5/21: Seniors vs. Faculty Softball Game; Fells Point trip

Thu. 5/22: Crab Feast

Fri. 5/23: Baccalaureate Service; All Campus Party

Sat. 5/24: Graduation

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Flag symbolizes hope

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College Activities, Collins Smith and Pam Zappardino, Alumni President, installed the display, which was in Ensor Lounge April 16-24.

About 70 people signed and decorated the McDaniel College Peace Flag, which was a special banner designed to represent McDaniel students, staff, faculty, and visitors, said Collins Smith, who has heard many positive comments about the project.

She also said that the McDaniel banner will be on display April 28-May 16th at Lisa Breslin's office, located across from the Writing Center and anyone who has yet to sign it or add their own comments is encouraged to do so in the upcoming weeks.

The Project does not have a "completed" deadline at this time. Plans are for it to continue to grow and be displayed as all participants' wishes for peace throughout the world are gently allowed to join each other in the beauty of purest intention and inspiration," reads the flyer.

To make your own flag to add to the project, you can 1.) Use your own materials to create an 11 by 15 inch flag (on fabric) that is finished with both a front side and back side (because both sides can be seen when flying) and is signed by you, your family, and/or class/group; 2.) You may request a plain fabric rectangle base with instructions to start by sending a check for \$15 made payable to Common Ground on the Hill to the address here

The Peace Flag Project
Common Ground on the Hill
Westminster, MD 21157

For more information, contact Christina Collins Smith.

Long-time adjunct Jonathan Slade hired

Staci George
Commentary Editor

During his Tuesday night "History of American Independent Film" class on April 22, Jonathan Slade triumphantly announced that the McDaniel College Communication Department had hired him as a full-time professor.

"It's going to take me a while to get used to the idea that I'll be teaching alongside some of the most influential people in my life—people who I admire greatly and respect who helped guide me along my life path when I was a student here in the mid-1980s...people like Bob Sapor, Pam Regis, Ron Miller, Jim Lightner, and Kathy Mangan. That's a bit intimidating. I hope I'll be able to live up to their expectations, because they've set the bar pretty high," Slade remarked in an e-mail interview.

Slade graduated from WMC in 1998 with **Brian's long article continued**

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said Towle.

Residence Life saw an annual increase in the amount of students that applied for apartments this year. Towle estimated that between eight and 14 groups that applied for Garden Apartments were denied. The fact that freshmen will be living in the North Village next year may make this harder to swallow for some students.

"I do feel sorry for the upperclassmen who didn't get an apartment, but we did apply," said freshman Stefanie Lilly. "I was very excited when we got it, but also very surprised...we didn't expect it."

Money played an important role throughout the application process. A few interested students did not have their housing deposits in on time, and this created problems.

a BA in communications and received his MFA in cinema-television production from The University of Southern California's School of Cinema-Television in 1991.

He first began teaching as an adjunct professor in the Communication Department in the fall of 1995. Over the years, he has taught one course per semester; the courses included "Television Production," "Film Analysis," "Scriptwriting," "Fiction into Film," "Basic Film and Video Production," and "History of American Independent Film."

In addition to his adjunct professorship, Slade worked for Maryland Public Television for 11 years producing kid shows and documentaries, directed/wrote/produced/edited the 1998 feature film "Forest for the Trees," and served as an associate producer of MPT's live on-air membership drives.

With his new job offer, Slade remarked "I've pretty much decided to clean my plate of freelance opportunities this fall so I can

Aside from these hiccup in the application process, the construction of the North Village has remained on schedule. According to Dr. Ethan Seidel, vice president of administration and finance, the construction costs of the project will be around the original estimate of \$5 million. However, the total costs will be closer to \$6.5 million after other expenses such as furniture and building permits are factored in, Seidel noted.

The construction costs were part of the reason the North Village was made the most expensive housing on campus. A single in the North Village costs \$4200, while a double is \$3800. In comparison, it is \$500 more than the Garden Apartments, \$1140 more than a single in a residence hall, and \$1110 more than a double in a residence hall.

To make room for two of the new build-

concentrate on being a full-time teacher for the first time in my life...Then hopefully, I'll be able to use the summer months to produce or direct some film or TV projects—and here's the exciting part—bring McDaniel students along as production assistants and crew members so they can get first hand experience on a professional shoot."

In fall 2003, Slade will be teaching three courses: "Mass Communications," "Film Analysis," and "TV Studio Production."

Slade hopes to "integrate theory with the practice as much as I can—I know, study the history and ruminations of the great minds, but also pick up some gear and go out and make our own mistakes."

And finally, he wants to "Challenge students who demonstrate a real interest in Communication to come along and work side-by-side with people who are making a living in this field."

The Phoenix congratulates Slade.

ings, the school needs to tear down three PA avenue houses, 189 through 197. To meet the construction deadline the houses had to be vacated seven weeks before the end of the current semester. The students that had been living in the PA houses moved into the third new building right after spring break.

"This has been an inconvenience for everyone who had to move," said junior Ina Puleri, who is the RA for the new apartment building. "My supervisor only informed me that we would have to move three or four weeks in advance...and we only had two days to move."

"I've been in dorms for three years," said Becky Arnold. "I consider it a privilege to be living in the apartments...I hope the [current] freshmen will be mature about living there."

Study Abroad story, should shorten it a bit

Laurence Assuid
Staff Writer

While experiencing life abroad is one of the purposes of liberal arts colleges, the percentage of McDaniel students going abroad is incredibly low.

Nevertheless, some students do study abroad at one point. Why do they choose to go? And what do they actually find?

McDaniel College is a liberal arts and humanities-oriented college. The point of such an institution is stated in the First Principles. "McDaniel College believes that liberally educated men and women think and act critically, creatively, and humanely. They take charge of their lives and develop their unique potential with reason, imagination, and concern."

According to French professors, Martine Motard-Noar, chair of the Foreign Languages department, and Colette Henriette, Study Abroad coordinator, studying abroad is an ideal way for students to fulfill these principles.

On one hand, they both encourage students to study abroad because this is the one of the purposes of McDaniel College. On the other hand, they know from experience how valuable it is to travel.

"Because most of McDaniel students are part of a social majority group, they do not really under-

stand what it means to belong to a minority," says Motard-Noar. The experience of being a foreigner should teach them humility and tolerance, she believes.

According to Henriette, who promotes study abroad by often speaking in classrooms, studying abroad is a great experience of maturity. It allows one to discover different cultures, meet new people, and especially to know oneself better. "When you are abroad, you know who you are," she says.

But both of them know that telling students how mind-opening it is to study abroad is not enough. Thus, they emphasize the material reasons to do it. For example, Motard-Noar stresses that at a time when the labor market is sluggish, one needs something valuable on their résumé to "make the difference." They also emphasize the enticing price, which is almost the same amount students pay to study on campus. (But Motard-Noar acknowledges that money can often be a barrier which prevents students from making the decision.)

Moreover, students majoring in a foreign language are required to study abroad for at least a semester or live in a foreign language house for a year. But although foreign language housing allows student who live there to use another language in daily life and experience some foreign culture's

through frequent activities, "they still live in the American reality," Motard-Noar regrets. It is one more reason to encourage them to study abroad.

Thanks to Foreign Languages teachers' advice or by their own initiative, some students do choose to go abroad. Sometimes it is for family reasons, like McDaniel student Jonathan Gustawarow who is going to Scotland next semester because he comes from a family with Scottish ancestry.

But more often, it is curiosity and eagerness to discover that lead young people abroad. Most of the time, students do not go abroad with any special expectations. They just want to discover something new, "something else," says Gustawarow.

"I wanted to see different cultures and to experience other ways of life," says Nadja Werner, German House director, who has lived in England.

That is definitely what they will find abroad. "It will be different," Henriette always warns them at pre-departure meetings.

Students are right not to have too definite expectations before leaving because life abroad is not something you can plan or expect. Henriette says: "There is no book in which you can learn how life abroad is; it is something you have to live."

And what one learns abroad is definitely worthwhile in the professional area as well as the human one. Of course, any experience abroad on one's résumé is valuable to show that someone is curious and open-minded.

But also, there is no better means to become fluent in a foreign language than to go to a location where one will have to speak it every day. For example, Michael Nicholas, a native-German McDaniel student, has studied in France for one year. When he went, he did not speak a word of French. Three months later, he could fend for himself and have real conversations. At the end of the year, he was perfectly fluent.

Moreover, one can sometimes find better studies abroad, as Werner did when coming to America. "Psychology classes here are much more practical and closer to life than in Germany," she says.

Studying abroad is also a great way to discover what one really wants to do. "I have seen many students going abroad without knowing what they wanted and coming back with a certainty," Henriette remembers.

In the human area, studying abroad teaches people how to deal with unknown and sometimes uncomfortable situations. It also makes people more independent because when alone abroad, one

has to fend for oneself, to struggle to be at the same level as other people. "It makes you grow up," says Henriette.

Studying abroad can even result in charity situations. For instance, Jamie Morris, a McDaniel students who had been to Vietnam with the Semester at Sea program (a semester-long boat trip), had noticed that over there, children did not have pens in school. After returning to America, she decided to collect pens and send them to Vietnam.

Going abroad can also trigger a virtuous circle. For instance, it is by being friends with French exchange students in high school that Kate Moomau, political science major and inhabitant of the French house, decided to spend three months in France with a summer program. She enjoyed her trip and now plans to sign up for the Semester at Sea program next year.

Last but not least, traveling can definitely change one's life. When coming to America, Motard-Noar did not know she would meet her husband here and then live in America.

"Changing lives" is McDaniel College's motto and it is definitely what studying abroad can result in.

Kirschner leaves job at McDaniel

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By night, Dr. Tony Kirschner could sometimes be found playing the bass guitar for a local rock band. By day, he can be found teaching media criticism and mass communications classes at McDaniel College. However, by next fall, Kirschner will no longer be found anywhere on the East Coast.

After six years of teaching in the Communication Department, Kirschner is leaving and taking a job in Vancouver at the end of the semester. A Chicago native, the recently married Kirschner and his wife currently reside in Reisterstown. However, both have West Coast roots and Kirschner says, "I am basically leaving to get closer to my family." He adds, "I will miss the small collegiate atmosphere...this is a well run little college and a nice place to work."

Kirschner has been a member of the Communication Department since the fall of 1997. He is described by colleagues as outgoing, professional, friendly, high energy, upbeat, and an all around nice guy. Economics/Business Administration professor Susan Milstein says he is one of the nicest people to work with because "he is not one of those people who will walk past you without speaking."

Kirschner is the self-proclaimed "Mass media cultural studies guy" at McDaniel, who has taught various classes on film, popular music, television and the media's role in

society. He says, "The best part of my job is the teaching. This is a teaching college and if you don't love to teach you don't belong here."

His passion for teaching is evident to colleagues such as Milstein, who says, "He is an excellent teacher, the students all rave about him." Junior Katie Champion said, "His teaching style is really laid back, he is really on level with how we think, and he made class interesting."

Communication professor Dr. Jasna Meyer says, "I enjoy watching how he works with his students, he has such a candid way." He recounted how she often sits in her office and hears him interacting with his students, sometimes saying, for example, "What are you doing?...Do you really think you are going to graduate?...You really should get to work on that, how about as soon as you leave my office?" Meyer says, "In his bluntness there is a truth that makes students feel they really have to take his advice."

Besides teaching, Kirschner has also been continuously involved with WMCR, the campus radio station, since 1997 when it was a fledgling club with about eight members. With his guidance, Kirschner says, "We started getting a bigger budget...We put in a different studio, a different production facility, and built the club up to a bigger club."



There are currently 35-40 members in the radio club. Kirschner says, "It is a good place for people to express themselves...You can sit and blather into the microphone for an hour if you want as long as you don't say any swear words."

Additionally, Kirschner serves as a faculty advisor to the Sig Eps fraternity and to Lambda Pi Eta communication honor society.

Kirschner's own radio station is not set to WMCR, but rather WNPR, National Public Radio. While a fan of popular music, rock, and sometimes even a little country, Kirschner also makes his own music, having played with a local rock band for two to three years. Milstein says "He is a talented musician," as she has seen his band play firsthand.

Milstein also mentioned how Kirschner's varied involvement on campus is one reason his departure will be such a huge loss. "He has done so much on different committees, he's very visible," she says. Similarly, Meyer comments, "It will be a tremendous loss, not only for our department, but for the entire McDaniel community."

Kirschner has touched the lives of many students, colleagues, and friends. He moves on from the McDaniel community, only to touch other people and give them, as Milstein puts it, "the way it is, according to Tony."

Hsing-I: getting a deeper understanding

Writer's Name
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Although maintaining one's physical condition and remaining in good health are two very important aspects of life, they are often overlooked by college students. If taking gym courses weren't a requirement for graduation, several students would never think to set foot in the gym.

So now many are faced with a difficult decision, as they scramble through the registration booklet trying to figure out which physical education course is right for them.

McDaniel College offers a wide variety of courses in this department, from Floor Hockey to Rappelling. To the average student taking any gym course comes with the stigma of not being good enough or possessing enough skill and flexibility to succeed. One course, Hsing-I (pronounced "shing-ye"), shatters this stigma with an internal style of martial arts that is an enlightening and enjoyable experience for everyone.

Hsing-I is designed to promote health and wellness while also providing a training system for self-defense. Mindy McCord, the head coach for women's field hockey and lacrosse, is the coordinator and professor for this course.

"I became involved with Hsing-I three years ago while completing my master's degree at Virginia

Tech," said McCord. "I had been suffering from arthritis pain in my injury. I was taking a lot of anti-inflammatory medication and steroids, but I was still in pain everyday." Finding no answers through modern science, McCord decided to give this form of alternative medication a try.

Hsing-I has five basic forms, each with eight different movements, that can be incorporated into an unlimited number of variations. Because there are so few movements, Hsing-I is one of the easiest forms of martial arts to learn.

Some students feel intimidated at first, when in the beginning McCord shows them how everything they will learn comes together to create one continuous flow of movements. As time progresses and they become more comfortable they tend to lose that fear.

"It looked very difficult at first," recalled Melat Garadew, freshman. Melat took the second session of the course. "But after you get the hang of it, and actually do the movements, it gets a lot easier." Garadew is now taking the course again as an independent study, so that he can learn another form of Hsing-I.

"It is easy for beginners because it is slow, focused, and has a lot of repetition," McCord said. Hsing-I continued on page 8

The Four-Year Cycle: Getting through daily droll

Staci George discusses senior memories of four years well spent.



It was not until recently that I realized that the typical 20-something American typically lives their life in a four-year cycle. What I mean by this is that every four years, they venture into some new realm.

For instance, from the time you are born until around three or four years old, the world consists of you, your parents, your siblings if you have any, and other family members. It may not be until later in life that you are ever as close to your parents or as dependent on them for survival as back then.

Then around age four, you head off to daycare to find some more people living in your world, and you may make some friends who may just be your lifelong best friend or simply an acquaintance. The next year, Kindergarten, where alphabet puppets, snack time, and recess are valued parts of the day, ones you yearn for later in life. Admittedly, this is only a two-year cycle, but yet one of extreme importance.

The next four years are elementary school. The school day gets longer, more

people are added to your expanding world. One looks forward to the fieldtrips to the zoo, the aquarium, the ballpark, the museum, and other intriguing places to a seven-year-old.

Some schools have graduation ceremonies when students leave the elementary school and begin middle school. With all the homework, extra-curricular activities, sports practices, and piano lessons, the average middle school student is "working" a twelve or more hour day. And yes, the world has gotten slightly bigger. In addition to studying U.S. geography and history, other countries around the world are now in the curriculum. A nightly assignment may include watching the news or reading a newspaper to learn about current events in Africa or Asia.

Then there is the four years of high school, which for some is the best time of their life (statistics show that those who do not go onto college or trade school value the good ol' days) or the worst time of their lives (those victim to other's making fun of them, a lack of interest in school or life, or having no sense of belonging to a certain group). Somewhere by the middle of junior year, if not before, one begins the college/university search to find the school they have been dreaming of attending. Unlike preschool, Kindergarten, and elementary school graduations, high school graduation sort of has a

magnetic field around it; this field is made up of the sense that a new you is about to be found, new people to meet, a new town to get used to when you move to college, and quite possible the first time you have ever had to say good-bye to that friend you've known since daycare.

College, and yes another four-year cycle, begins. By the time you find the new you, have met more than a thousand new people, have gotten used to the town and may even work at the local mall, and have learned that you can keep that lifelong friendship going via birthday cards, e-mail, and a hour "catch up on all the latest" session during each trip home during a break, your four years is over and it is time to venture on. College graduation has a stronger magnetic field than even high school had.

But wait, this sense of living your life in four-year increments may no longer be true. Graduate school could take you a year, two years, or maybe almost three years. Law school is certainly not a part of the four-year plan; some may take less time, others more. And then there is Medical School, which from what I've heard takes longer than four years. And those seeking the career route with their first full-time job, well the four-year cycle may not be applicable. You may get the first job and completely hate it and leave after six months, or you could find your

ideal job and stay for a lot longer. Or perhaps you are going to back pack across Europe for a while, or move home with Mom and Dad and see what happens from there.

The point I am trying to make is that by the end of college, the typical student (or at least one who plans their future just as much as they plan today) has this sense of a four-year cycle. That if I don't like something now, give it a few years and the next stage in life may be a lot better. Let's face it, there are no more stages, everything is one big mixture. After a few years of being out of college, you may decide to get married. Then shortly after, you begin a family of your own. You may go from one dead end job to the next in your early years of marriage and just as you are about to start your family.

At first, when I noticed this four-year pattern, it was rather scary to admit its near end. I plan to get a full-time journalism job, start paying back college loans, and studying for the GREs. Grad school is somewhere in the near future, but I cannot say that it is my next four-year cycle. Now this realization is not so scary, it's very exciting.

To all those seniors out there, enjoy your final days of this four-year cycle. Perhaps another four-year cycle is about to begin for you, or perhaps this is the end. Life is not over, it's just beginning.

Hmm? Where'd the year go?

Laura Petersen wonders where her freshmen year went.

You know that feeling you get when looking at old pictures or when the clock hits 12 a.m. on New Year's Day?

Lately, I have been getting that "where has the time went" feeling washed upon me when I realize that this year is almost over.

I hear my friends asking questions like, "Where has this year gone?" or commenting that move-in day seems like "just yesterday."

Senior year of high school, it was all everyone talked about - college, college, college. When I arrived here in August of last year I was downright terrified.

Feelings of doubt in my abilities swept over me when I was given the assignment for my first big paper.

I wondered if I was college material and I worried about the grade I would receive. I ended up being an A paper.

I found it amazing how quickly I became comfortable with my classes and other students. My fears soon fell away when I realized that with devotion and responsibility I could accomplish anything I wanted to.

The hot summer days gave way to the frigid winter cold. This allowed my roommate and I to put away our three fans that didn't do much else but push around the hot air anyway.

Snow days were some of the best days as I tried in vain to sled down the hill, located by campus safety, on a Glar food tray. I even witnessed some guys trying to sled on a mattress, which was a funny sight indeed.

My first report card was filled with only the letters A and B making my parents very proud.

Christmas came and everyone went to his or her corner of the life they had left behind for college.

I can't remember how many times people informed me that I looked different or that I had changed when my family came for the



holidays.

The end of January arrived and the time came to return to all that had become so familiar to me - classes, tests, stress and managing time - sometimes unsuccessfully.

Through it all, I remained sane and happy despite the less than relaxing conditions.

I came to realization that this is life. I understand that college is very different from the real life when people clean your bathrooms and prepare your every meal, but finding happiness under stressful conditions is what living is all about.

I ended up joining a sorority, taking an independent study and maintaining a job the second half of the year. I find myself flipping through pictures even more as these last few weeks fly by.

Orientation seems like yesterday but ages ago at the same time. I remember how much I complained, but I am beginning to wish I could go back to that time.

Nowadays, I can look at people, say just one random word and burst into laughter with them. I can look at most people on this campus and know their first names. I have learned so much, more than just academics, and it has been wonderful.

The experiences I have been through this year are just another chapter in a book of many. I look forward to the fall when I can open the book of my life to the next chapter of my college years.

Poetry Corner

Catharsis

by Jamie Fallows

Some people lightly cut themselves,
others wash with steaming hot water.

A few use drugs or liquor, and some even cry.

But me?

I run my finger around the inside of a popcorn bag and
suck the salt off,
feeling my taste buds practically burn away.

War Poem

by Staci George

Whose voice will be heard

when everyone is practicing self-censorship

Freedom of speech, an idea now absurd

"Don't say that in public," now hip

I've hated this war from day one

And now that it's declared "American victory"

A bigger job still to be done

Give Iraqis their voice, and give mine back to me.

I'm tired of the debates with family and friends

where I am wrong and they are right

Rebuild Iraq, sure why not, but let's make amends
with every American, diminish ignorance with light.

Let's be the America we are in theory

Our Constitutional rights practiced so clearly

Optimism's brightness replaces pessimism's dreary

Be able to say "I'm proud to be an American" so dearly.

Phoenix advisor says "farewell '03 staff, sincerely TAD"

Terry Dalton honors the senior staff members' hard work and dedication.

When I looked down the long wooden table in the narrow senior room on Hill's first floor nearly four years ago, I had no idea who these 15 freshly minted first-year students were.

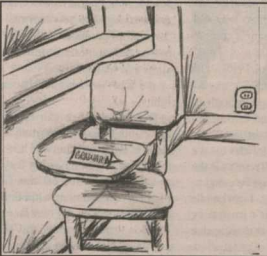
It was late August, 1999, and I was meeting my first class of a special section of English Composition & Reading that was designed for freshmen with an interest in journalism. As it turned out, several of the students looking back at me would go on to become the stalwarts of student journalism at Western Maryland College, and later at McDaniel. And now they are about to leave, and I feel a little like the college basketball coach who is about to lose the heart of his team to graduation.

In that class were Ed Schultheis, Staci George, Tammi Slater and Donna Hurd. As they listened, I made my usual pitch for The Phoenix, hoping that one or two students would take me up on my offer of extra credit for anything they might

get published in the student newspaper. I never dreamed that all four of them would join the paper that semester, and stick with it for nearly their entire stay on the Hill. Indeed, it would be impossible for me to calculate the combined number of hours that this devoted quartet has logged in the two offices that The Phoenix has occupied over the past four years. Thousands, perhaps? Probably.

But this modest tribute by the paper's adviser to the seniors who have meant so much to student journalism from 1999-2003 does not end with this foursome. While they were getting comfortable in the saddle, other freshmen were being rounded up to join them. Soon, editor-to-be Matt Hurff was on board,

followed by the irreverent but never dull columnist, Michael Wiles. As the freshmen continued to flex their Fourth Estate muscles,



sportswriter Greg Lederer signed on. More help for the sports section came with the arrival of Craig Johnson. Finally, the artsy one with the enduring smile, Tara Dellafranza, brought her opinion-writing skills to the commentary section. The team was complete,

even if all nine did not work as a unit for many semesters. But advisers quickly learn Rule One of Oversewing Student Newspapers: be thankful for what you have and enjoy it while it lasts.

And I have enjoyed it. Immensely. And so have they, I trust. Some of these nine, I feel sure, will stick with journalism, and hopefully come back as guest speakers in one of my classes, much as Jonathon Shacat, '98, and Stacey Myers Duck, '02, did this year. Others will go to law school. Or teach. Or perform on Broadway. Or make lots of money. I will miss each and every one of them, because the class of '03 produced more top drawer journalists than any class that I can remember during my 13 years here.

So what will I miss? I'll miss reading almost an entire sports section written by one person, Greg Lederer. I'll miss the look of pride on Tammi Slater's face as she shows me the clips from her latest

newspaper internship. I'll miss laughing out loud when I read yet another outrageous piece by our resident humorist, Mike Wiles.

I'll miss scanning the paper and finding at least one article by Staci George in virtually every section of the paper. I'll miss Craig Johnson handing in an exam in one of my classes and assuring me that I'm about to read "another A paper, Mr. Dalton." I'll miss talking baseball in my office with Ed Schultheis, who roots for the second-best Canadian team in the major leagues. I'll miss the incredible versatility and talent of Matt Hurff, who left his mark on the sports, commentary and news sections of the paper. I'll miss the spirit, ingenuity and joyfulness of Tara Dellafranza.

And I'll miss all those meetings in my office with Donna Hurd, when she vowed to turn the commentary section into something truly special - and then did it.

Thanks, Seniors and good luck.

Mold swings & cravings: Senior tries to say so farewell

Senior Staci George thanks all those who have helped her along the way.

Lately, I have been experiencing a lot of varied mood swings—from bursting into tears, stress-related anger and fatigue, a sudden burst of happiness, feeling the grips of anxiety, and that sort of sporadic excitement one feels when they daydream about the future and what success is in store for them.

Although I have been having these weird mood swings and cravings for some odd foods I don't usually eat, I know I AM NOT PREGNANT, but rather a senior going through the typical growing pains and coping with an ending that will fade into a new beginning.

Let me tell you how hard editing this last section has been. As I read Mr. Dalton's story that he e-mailed me to put in the Phoenix, I was on the verge of tears. Then I read Laura Petersen's reflections from her freshman year and realized that what she said in August 1993 applied to me back in August 1999. I had been looking for the right moment to write my senior goodbye, and could not avoid the dizzying whirlwind inside my head and the tears streaming down my cheeks.

Like Laura, I too had doubts when I first arrived four years ago. These doubts subsided over the years, however they have resurfaced a little bit as I send out resumes to various news organizations hoping that my four years of college, my journalism minor, my four years on the Phoenix staff editing and writing stories for all four sections, and three internships have been influential and no employer will say "Gee, Ms. George, you don't seem to have enough experience," or "Bi-weekly student newspaper, huh? Do you have what it takes to work in a daily newspaper that covers the whole city or town?"

Admittedly, it was not until fall

semester of my sophomore year that I actually liked this place and knew I'd be here until May 2003. I loved it fall semester, although leaving my friends in Broadheaville, Kunkletown, and Palmerton, PA was a hard task.

On the outside, people saw me loving this place and getting involved with many organizations. I wasn't even on campus two weeks before I begged Ira Domser to let me stage manage his fall play "Ghost Sonata." I got involved with The Phoenix in the fall and before I knew it, I was the assistant news editor. I also ran for and was elected Class of 2003 SGA representative; signed up to be a STAY mentor; joined a few other organizations; and still had time for a very active weekend social life. I remained active throughout the years, and even joined a few new ones!

But on the inside, there was self-doubt, a wonder of what I was missing out on elsewhere, lack of the really good friendships I had left behind and was trying hard to make here, a sporadic thought about transferring, and this sense that I was in way over my head. Grade wise, I did well first semester, but spring semester of freshman year was my worst semester ever in terms of grades.

From time to time, I wonder what might have been if I had left Western Maryland College (now McDaniel College, yes, I admit it. I have come to like the new name!). I would have missed out on the craziness of stage managing twice for Ira Domser, the enjoyment and pleasure of working with Margaret Griffin (secretary of political science, social work, and history), the sense of humor in professors like Dr. Herb Smith and Dr. Volker Franke (political science), all the

wisdom and guidance of Dr. Leahy (professor of political science, who has this wonderful son Roan who I love to baby sit for and take to the D.C. zoo.), the spunk and nonviolent philosophy of Pamela Zappardino, and the creativity and love for music and Common Ground on the Hill that Walt Michael provides.

And of course, there is Mr. Terry Dalton. Had I left college, I would not have had the opportunity to have him for a professor for all the journalism classes that make up the minor, would have missed out on hundreds of office chats with him, would have never seen the infamous green ink that he grades papers and critiques The Phoenix with, would not have his name on my reference sheet so possible employers could call him and question him about my abilities, character, and work ethic. And I would never have had the chance to work alongside him in the preparation and organization of the 4th Annual College Press Day. Nor would I have ever been mentioned in his senior goodbye article had I left WMC and went to some other college.

In addition to all the professional relationships mentioned above, I would have missed out on the many friendships with various people—some who will stay close because, location wise, they are nearby, some who may remain life-long friends despite the miles that separate us, some who may remain mere acquaintances to say hello to at reunions, or some people may just merely be people I send an occasional Christmas card to or have a random thought "Gee, I wonder how 'so and so' is doing after all these years."

Had I left WMC, I would have missed out meaningful friendships with Yolanda Hill, Tara

DellaFrancia, Nadja Werner, Lauri Gann, Karen Whelan, Allison Morris, and anyone else I have may be forgetting because the tears are forming again.

I would have missed out on the sense of sisterhood and commitment to community service that Gamma Sigma Sigma has offered me over the last three years; lots of gamma sig love to all members and our newest pledge class.

Thanks to Society for Collegiate Journalists members for their commitment and enthusiasm, even if I did go overboard and planned too many activities! Katie and Erin, I know you'll run with it next year and pull of a wonderful College Press Day!

Depending on who you listen to—Tom Macurac or myself—each of us have our own version of what happened the day we met in the Bookstore in 2000. But that's history and he and I have the present and future together, one that may not have been had I given up on WMC and left! All my love and heart to you, Tom!

I have a lot of wonderful memories that I will forever cherish—freshman year living with Greta Frain in Whiteford and starting out sophomore year with her at the Best Western because our house with nine other girls was not yet remodelled, the "culture shock" Tara DellaFrancia and I had until we learned to appreciate Lei and Fan's Chinese culture in our Garden Apartment; going to Spain for a month with Joan Faulkner during



the summer of 2000; all those nights partying after theatre shows (especially the ones during my freshman year); giggling with Karen Whelan in class as we tried to decipher each other's notes while one professor or another talked faster than we could write; inviting Nadja Werner home for Christmas when she could not be back in Germany with own family; the night Lauri and I sat up all night "gossiping" in the Whiteford lounge; the sense of pride I felt after a successful College Press Day ended; and having the chance to show off my college and friends to my friends and family from home.

Well, the tears have subsided, so I guess I can finally say goodbye.

I'm sure this will not be my last by-line—you'll be sure to see my name in other newspapers, and maybe even on your local news station (reporting, that is, not as a crime committer!)

Good luck to all the seniors, and to all the underclass: Cherish the time while you have it, because it will be over soon and you too will be having mood swings and a good dose of reality like I have been having these last few weeks! Good-bye to the Hill, I'll be back soon!

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Tara's senior commentary

Senior Tara DellaFranzia ...



I have learned to live by a very important principle: when something is due Tuesday, don't worry, you'll get it by Sunday. Theoretically, Phoenix commentaries are due Tuesday. Tuesday night is editing night, where I go through all of the lovely articles submitted to the section. Perhaps Dan Hamvas has written about porn again, or Michael Wiles decides to take another shot at Smith House. Tuesday is the night when these mistakes must be caught.

Loyalty happens Wednesday. I can handle layout on my own now, but it's frustrating when people hand in articles that were due Tuesday on Wednesday. I leave, unsatisfied, with the fact that half of the commentary section is blank.

Where would I be without Staci George? A day or two later, there are only one or two holes in the Commentary section, and everything that I put there is still there, in the same shape and form—thanks to Staci's skills.

After that, I might start to get a bit more upset and worried. Anxious, even. But by Sunday, there are writers, faithful and unfaithful alike, that submit commentary.

My point isn't to tell people to get their commentaries in on time—that's not my job anymore (thank goodness). Instead, I'd rather share with you what the experience of being Commentary Editor has taught me: no matter how desperate the situation, and how often people get on your nerves, in the end people come through for you. Just as you're about to threaten to kill yourself or

someone else, people come through.

I could say the same thing about how the Society for Collegiate Journalists finally came together to pull off College Press Day, how proud I will be when the Beta Alpha Chi seniors graduate with our full-fledged musical camaraderie, or how the brothers of Alpha Phi Omega always have a hug to offer me whether things are going wrong or right.

Even Senior Seminar requires the support of other people. Writing a 25-30 page paper is most definitely an activity that requires some serious group contribution. I couldn't have pulled off that final requirement/accomplishment without the help and encouragement of my Seminar group.

I don't mean to make this sound like an awards speech, but graduation is kind of like some prize I've had my eye on (even if indirectly) since college preparatory school. I never really thought about it until it came up so close. And now that it's here and I will soon be back in Philadelphia, there's this whole "future" thing that I'm supposed to get the hang of, but that's something you have to get used to before it happens. But to prepare for it, some final thank-you's:

To the Phoenix staff, specifically Erin Romanski, for letting me actually write this paper, and to all of those people that came up to me and say they've actually read my articles. I swear, until you said something, I never knew. Lauri Gann, my official partner in unofficial crime, you are the most supportive friend in the world. My suite mates and brothers—certain things happen in a senior year that you just can't get through alone, so thank you. Jackie Aguglia,

for teaching me how to party, find a nice boy, smoke, and drink. Joann McKinney, for including me and listening. And to Michael Wiles (TMLA!), because even though he is a slacker, he always gets his commentary in.

To the educators: Dr. Boudreaux, Dr. Mangan, Garth Baxter, Terry Dalton, Dr. Sapora, and David Griffiths. To those that I value more than you know, even though I didn't have the time to become as close as I would have liked: Lisa Taylor, Yolanda Hill, and Lisa Moore.

But really, it always comes down to thanking the creators. I can't say that I will ever be some kind of award-winning masterpiece, but at least I am now a work in progress. When the final draft comes around, my mother, family, and my boyfriend/hero should be proud, because they made me who I am.

During the last four years, I have experienced and written about some of the greatest horrors and atrocities humans have committed against one another. Terrorism and war as well as some personal losses have really affected me deeply, but existing in a campus community has taught me to have faith in humanity. In the end, if you are a good citizen of a community, there is always someone to stand up for you, to fight for you, and to believe in you. Some people think that, because of feelings like this, college is a dream.

I know that President Coley will grin when she reads that I am proud to call Western Maryland College the reality of the best four years of my life.

One for the Road: Writer says good-bye

Senior Michael Wiles ends an era with the Phoenix staff.

I'll make this as quick as possible, since I am sure you all have other plans right now.

It has, sadly, come time for me to do what all us seniors must do with three or so weeks left until graduation, the "great end of the road": say my goodbyes. Interestingly, I am finding it easier than I would have thought.

The reason, as far as I can tell, is this: I've decided I no longer believe in "goodbyes." At all. I've come to believe that people arrive in your life (which, depending on the person) is a wonderful thing, and, likewise, people leave out the other door (which, once again, depending on the person) is a terrible feeling. And, as I've said before, where there is friendship and love, there can be no happy endings. Seriously, as I have suggested before, do the math. NO happy endings in that regard.

Anyway, I do suppose I should at least recount some of the reasons why I'm not quite looking forward to May 24th. After all this school has given me, as well as the people I have met here along the way, I owe it to everyone, and as I've said before, where there is friendship and love, there can be no happy endings. Seriously, as I have suggested before, do the math. NO happy endings in that regard.

First, the strictly personal moments: the late night/early morning strolls, which I still believe are some of the moments that best showed me why I love this place so much. To a similar end, all the trips I took over the last three years to scrape for food, to such places as Sheetz and Denny's, where I am sure I spent more money than I can ever really justify, but don't regret a dime of it.

And, of course, I learned a lot of stuff from books and the like, which will, I am sure, prove invaluable at some point down the road. No, really: I know all the hard work was worth it, but, come on, I'm not going to

miss all the papers and hours of reading. Actually, all that work has already taught me something quite important: that I don't want to spend the rest of my life in academics, as I thought, when I came to college, I might want to be. While I once wanted to be a professor of English, I think I'll pass on that now.

Anyway, while I will miss all this school has given me or a personal level, I'll miss even more the people who've come into my life these past four years. While I know this is the part of the article where I am expected to write a laundry list of all those I am talking about, that really isn't my style. Oh, hell, I'll do it anyway.

In no real order, here we go: First of all, I've got to thank my "Room 402" band mates, Chi, Bill, and Matt. I think we've built something great, guys, and I can't wait to see where it takes us.

Next, my "clique," as we've called ourselves: John, Nicole, Jen, Brandi and Courtney. "Our little group has always been, and always will until the end." Nuff said. Thanks for a great four years, and here's to all that is to come.

Also, thanks are due to my brothers in Phi Kappa Sigma: I'm not the easiest guy to deal with, and have probably failed a frat guy, but you all seem to be fine with that and suffer me well. Thanks.

A special thanks to my friend Jamie, who's convinced me that my time here was worth it if only because I could help someone just starting out at WMC. If she's right, maybe I'll get my wings someday, after all.

Of course, my time here wouldn't have been the same without my sister and fellow



TMLA revolutionary, Tara DellaFranzia. Not only has Tara been a great friend and literary partner, but seeing her navigate her own life has shown me I

can do the same.

Lastly, a thanks to everyone who's been read my column over the last three years. I just realized that I have contributed to every issue of *The Phoenix* since spring of 2000, and that is a very long time. Moreover, it would not have been possible, or even remotely fun, without all of you to laugh along with me. Thank you!

There is so many more people I have to thank, and so many people I know I would about as if I tried to continue, so I figure that about as good as it gets.

One more thing before I leave, though: I was talking to a friend of mine from high school the other day, and it occurred to me that it felt like yesterday that I saw her in first period English every morning. Yesterday, in this case, was four years ago. It really blows my mind how fast time moves, and how quick things change, for better and for worse.

In the end, I am grateful, to say the least, for my time here. I am sure, in a few weeks, it will hit me exactly what it is I am leaving behind, but, for now, I'll suspend those emotions and by close saying I will miss all of this when it is over.

Thanks for everything, everyone. Western Maryland College: me love you long, long time.

Journalism: abuse of speech

I hate journalists. This coming from a senior graduating in less than a month with a minor in journalism. After my journalism professor reads this however, I may have to remove that minor from my resume - since it could be rescinded the day before I graduate.

Speaking of the end of my collegiate career, I thought about to which topic I should devote my final commentary. Should it be a hunky-dory message of how much I will miss college? How about an unflattering one? Truthfully, people should know my feelings towards this tremendous site I have called home for the past four years. I have made relationships and friendships that will not be made or broken in the next three weeks or because of a single commentary - I hope. I would much rather dedicate my last instance of editorial freedom to something that has truly agitated me over the past couple months.

Well to be perfectly honest, my agitation over journalism has lasted for more than a year, actually since the site of last year's Press Day. Here I am, the editor of the Phoenix, sitting on a panel discussion, having my "posterior" chewed out by a certain sports columnist from the Baltimore Sun. Why? Because I said that I felt like a total jerk asking people what they felt about the terrorist attacks - less than two hours after it occurred. His response, to put it mildly, was that I sucked as a journalist, and that I needed to suck it up or get out of the business.

He can call me a bad journalist for getting information wrong, or being a horrendous writer, but because I felt what any decent human would feel...needless to say, I walked out of that thinking he could kiss the same posterior that he had been chewing out.

Since then, I have endured questions such as: "Where did you do your internship?" and "How are you going to get a job in journalism?"

My only response, most likely to the delight of the Baltimore Sun's sports columnist, is that I will not be entering the field of journalism. Not in my near future anyway. However, it was not until the war started that the issue moved from the back burner right up into my forward frame of vision.

As I watched the war coverage on any of the major 24 news stations, whether it be CNN, MSNBC, or the Fox News Channel, there was one thing that was distinctly evident to me - the unwavering patriotism and lack of objectivity in the news. According to BBC Director General Greg Dyke, "U.S. broadcasters' coverage of the Iraq war was so unquestioningly patriotic and so lacking in impartiality that it threatened the credibility of America's electronic media...This is particularly so since Sept. 11 when many U.S. networks wrapped themselves in the American flag and swapped impartiality for patriotism." The American media then made a big fuss about how the Iraq television station was all pro-Saddam, whereas there were a few times when I questioned if our own television stations were a mere copy of theirs.

I honestly have never seen the American media so completely duped and pacified into believing what the government has said - when did the watchdogs become the lapdogs? To make my point clear, there were a few times when I said to my parents: "So how is 'Propaganda War 2003' faring?" This was met with obvious displeasure.

This is certainly not the time to be unpatriotic as a journalist either as Henry Norr, who covered technology and wrote a weekly column for the San Francisco Chronicle, found out on April 21, when he was fired. On March 20, he was arrested participating in an anti-war protest. He was then suspended

without pay, and only a few days ago was fired from his position. On April 2, the paper's top editors sent an e-mail clarifying its policy on staff participation in political activity. The e-mail, citing "our responsibility as journalists," said newsroom staffers were prohibited from participating in public political activity related to the war, according to an Associated Press story from April 24. If I read this correctly, then one could make that case that the so-called "bastions of free speech" are themselves condemning free speech. What I have viewed in my four sheltered years is that journalists possess a very pious attitude - one that I do not agree with at this moment.

I learned a great deal from my Media Ethics course here, and I would actually love to be able to sit in on the class again to see what is said about the journalists in this wartime. One of the things purported by people when viewing the media was that they have a liberal slant. Well as we look at this war, I think that it is very plain to see that the media does not. If anything, the media has taken on neither a conservative or liberal slant, but rather a pro-America slant, even at the cost to impartiality - which was by far-and-away the most important piece to the American media.

Where does free speech truly end? In this day, does it end where non-patriotism begins? Journalists know their audience; they give the people what they want - in this case, unquestionable patriotism. They use catch phrases such as "fair" and "balanced" to mask patriotism as impartiality, and they say that they exhibit a strict code of ethics, when all I really want is for them to do their jobs properly. I hate journalists, yet I stand before you as one. How pious is that?

-Ed Schultheis is a senior communication major.

War Doesn't Go Away

Senior Tara DellaFranza can't seem to escape war, even in her dreams

After some time, regardless of our stance on war, we become somewhat accustomed to the daily drama covered constantly by our television. War has become part of our every day lives. For some of us, the reality might be more constant-thinking about a loved one overseas, or even thinking about whether to have children in a world climate like this someday.

While the issues of this war have been very personal to me, I am fortunate enough to have no relatives or friends in Iraq at this time. However, the reality of war is constant in my mind, and this probably applies to most of us regardless of our relationship with this war.

When the possibility of war first arose, it was quite easy to find a person willing to debate about it. It is still easy, particularly for those of us with an anti-war perspective, to find someone willing to discuss our country's involvement in the Middle East.

Now as U.S. involvement escalates, so do our emotions; our ties to the troops, our peace signs, our flag, and our beliefs. But we already know how we feel about the situation. We find ourselves discussing it more often with people that feel the same way, or people that can sympathize. And while that's okay, I don't think we can simply go about our lives as if this war isn't happening, or as if the effects of war aren't real.

War anxiety is very real. At first, I thought it just meant being more paranoid about terrorist attacks again, or watching too much CNN. Then, after I stopped talking about it so much, I couldn't

sleep through the night. After that, I started waking up to the dreams.

In one, I didn't even know what side I was on. I was not for Saddam, but I was not for Bush. I was not in fatigues, and schrapnel tore through my body. I could feel it, slamming into my arm like an aircraft carrier that misses the landing strip.

Another dream could have been a playground for Freud as written by P.S. Eliot-my boyfriend there, pulling me inside as a missile destroyed our city. A house, run down. We dropping a wedding dress, and a phone... my only method of communication other than the exasperated looks shot at the television, which showed the replay of what I'd seen, continuously.

Yes, I'm against this war. Naturally I am going to feel guilty about what is happening in Iraq. But my point isn't making every one feel guilty about this war, it's about how to deal with the anxiety of seeing the trauma of warfare, direct to your living room, and living in America.

The best solution for me has been to talk about how I feel. If a debate could ensue, and I am seeking consolation, I avoid talking about the issues for debate, but rather about what I dreamed and how it made me feel when I woke up.

Iraq's situation will be a reality for several years to come, but that doesn't mean we should stop thinking about it or talking about it on a conscious level-you never know what your subconscious might pull on you later.

New album: All hail to the Thief!

Senior Jamin Bartolomeo critiques Radiohead's newest project.

Months of anticipation came to an end on March 22nd when, along with millions worldwide, I heard that the new Radiohead album, the band's sixth full-length LP, would finally be released.

After seemingly endless rumors and countless small tidbits of information from magazines and Internet sources, the band officially confirmed on their website www.radiohead.co.uk that the album, *Hail to the Thief*, would be released in the United States on Tuesday, June 10, 2003. Recorded, mixed, and mastered over the past nine months in Los Angeles and in the band's own English studio, the 14-track collection has already created quite a stir in the music world. Partly because of its controversial, somewhat anti-American title, and in conjunction with the band's recent public announcements against military action in Iraq, Hail to the

Thief has both critics and fans excited while they anxiously await the new album's release.

Radiohead burst onto the American music scene in 1993 with their debut album *Pablo Honey* and its hit single "Creep." Although a big hit in the US, Radiohead did not have much success with the album in their native England or throughout the rest of the world.

While many statistics would be the band off as a one-hit wonder, global success arrived several years later in the form of 1995's triple guitar and song-driven *The Bends*, the group's sophomore release. With such singles as "High and Dry," "Fake Plastic Trees" and "Street Spirit (Fade Out)," *The Bends* surprised most followers of the Alternative music scene and propelled the band to stardom in England. In the US, *The Bends* was slow to garner support, but is

now recognized by many Radiohead fans as the group's best work to date.

If there was any doubt about Radiohead's true musical genius and ability to adapt and change its sound, 1997's OK Computer put those doubts to rest. Without a major radio single ("Paranoid Android," "Karma Police," and "No Surprises" were frequently played on MTV, but none of the tracks reached the top 20 in the US), the album won critical acclaim, a Grammy award, and is widely regarded in many circles as the best album of the year and one of the greatest albums ever made. The musical intricacies of the album and the often haunting vocals of Thom Yorke, the band's enigmatic front man, coupled with the album's technological theme, placed Radiohead on the cutting edge of rock music. After an ex-

tensive world tour, though, the band waited three-and-a-half years before releasing their fourth album, *Kid A*, which hit stores in October 2000.

By this time, OK Computer's success had fans worldwide demanding another similar set of tracks. Instead, *Kid A*, and its sister album *Amnesiac* (June 2001), both recorded at the same time, broke away from the guitar-laden tracks of the past and showcased yet another adaptation of the band: electronics. *Kid A*, which supposedly represents the birth, life, and ultimate demise of artificial intelligence along with *Amnesiac*, provide a host of sounds that range from the unique combination of organ and harp to those seemingly of another world. Despite the band's shift from the mainstream towards experimental tendencies, success grew and a legion of devoted, almost cult-like fans developed. Both albums were critically praised and *Kid A* followed its predecessor by winning a Grammy award.

The band's past success, in large part, is fueling the anticipation of *Hail to the Thief*. No one

really knows what the new album will sound like or how it will be similar or different from the prior five albums. As one critic recently stated, "It (*Hail to the Thief*) will probably say more about us than we care to admit. And that's what will drive us to it and bring us back to it time after time."

Although many of the unmixed and unmastered tracks have leaked there way to the Internet, much to the dismay of the band and its producer, fans (myself included) still have much to look forward to. The first taste of the new album will be in the form of a single, "There There," to be released on May 26. Record executives and music insiders who have heard the final studio version of the track and new album have somewhat mixed reviews. *The New York Times* reports that the album is "exquisitely layered yet stubbornly minimal" and "slowly opens after multiple listens." An executive at XM reports, "Hail to the Thief" is like everything they've ever done, and yet nothing they've ever done before." Whatever the opinion, one thing is for certain: fans of Radiohead will adore this album.

Softball team finishes strong season

The McDaniel College Softball team continued the program's strong play of late with the team's eighth consecutive season of 20 wins or more with their double header sweep of Haverford on April 25th.

Atop the Centennial Conference with a sizzling 23-6 overall, 14-2 in the conference record, the team is poised to make their run at defending their Centennial Conference Championship.

Most recently, the team visited conference foe, Ursinus College, for a double header on April 27th.

The first game saw a pitchers duel between McDaniel's ace pitcher Sam Abrams and the Bear's Alice.

The two controlled the game from the start, as neither team's offense could mount any runs through seven innings.

In the top of eighth, Abrams exhibited her skills at the plate, as she connected on a long home run in route to a slim 1-0 victory.

The victory was the team's 23rd of the season.

In the nightcap, the offenses heated up in a hurry, as McDaniel jumped out to the early lead with three runs in the top half of the first inning, but the Bears responded with four in the bottom half to take the lead back.

The contest looked like a slugfest early, but it didn't last as both teams pitching quieted the bats throughout the rest of the contest.

The Green Terror made a couple rallies, but wouldn't score again and fell by a 4-3 score.

As mentioned earlier, the team extended another milestone on April 25th, by winning their 20th game of the season in a double header sweep of Haverford College.

It was the team's eighth consecutive campaign with at least 20 wins, an impressive streak for any squad.

In the first game, the Green Terror exhibited their offensive skills in pounding out a 10-2 victory, and cruised to a 6-2 victory in the second game.

On April 23rd, the Green Terror hosted

their conference rival, Gettysburg College, in a match-up of the conference's two best teams.

McDaniel used another strong game from Abrams who was outstanding on the mound and at the plate, to beat the Bullets 4-1 in the first game.

On the mound, Abrams held Gettysburg to only one run, and scored 2 runs at the plate. Junior outfielder Lauren Cramer also contributed 2 hits in the contest.

McDaniel started the second game strong with 2 runs in the top of the first inning and junior right-hander Kim Camponelli baffled the Bullet's hitters for most of the contest. Gettysburg would respond in the bottom of the seventh inning, taking advantage of a couple errors by the Green Terror to pick up

three runs, two of them unearned and take a come from behind 3-2 victory.

Freshman catcher Samantha Smith had a hit in the contest and one RBI.

With the regular season coming to a close, the team is looking forward to the Centennial Conference tournament on May 3rd-4th where they will attempt to retain the Championship trophy.

Students learn the eternal energy of Hsing-I

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can also provide a deeper understanding for those who have already learned one style of martial arts. Although the repetition allows for self-defense techniques to become automatic, the focus of Hsing-I is not for fighting.

Exercises and sets of movements are used to align and strengthen the body while increasing the person's overall energy level. Hsing-I is based upon the notion that we possess this internal energy, called Chi, which allows us to perform daily tasks and other physical activities. It teaches you to understand your internal energy and how that energy moves through out the body to create movement. It strengthens coordination and the ability to be focused.

Do not enroll in this class thinking that Hsing-I requires no effort on your behalf. You can't just perform the movements sluggishly. You have to concentrate and have the desire to understand its theory and practice; Hsing-I is also known as mind-body boxing.

Several students have taken this course, and over time many have come with their

own unique histories, strengths and personal goals, from improving lower back problems to increasing their overall energy levels. Hsing-I tends to be the art that meets you where you are. While some may be cynical, McCord knows firsthand about the benefits of Hsing-I.

"Hsing-I has dramatically changed my life and my outlook," said McCord. "A few years ago I could hardly get out of bed and I used to get sick five or six times a year. Today, I am much healthier and I engage in most regular daily activities." One of the major benefits of Hsing-I is that this is a martial art that students can carry with them and build upon long after they depart from "the Hill."

There is always this stereotypical image of that non-athletic person in gym class being taunted by their professor and peers because they can't perform a simple physical task. This course is different.

Throughout the duration of the course McCord remains understanding and encouraging. As her students practice the series of movements, some of them get frustrated, but McCord always reminds them to smile.

Sports editor bids farewell

Greg Lederer
Sports Editor

Well, it's come to an end, my final story written for the Phoenix. It's been four long years of doing this gig and I guess I should pay my final respects. Don't worry, I'm not going to take this time to complain about the newspaper, Glar food, or the bad state of parking on campus. I think that we have heard enough of that stuff to last an eternity.

It has been a long four years and I've written a lot of stories from covering varsity sports on campus to fierce fraternity football games. Speaking of the famous fraternity football game story, it was definitely the most popular story that I've ever written for this paper. The score not withstanding, Gamma Beta Chi won the contest, and many could not wait for the story to come off the presses. While this story was printed in the paper, there were some who were upset that another story was not found right next to it. While the varsity sports on campus are fiercely fought contests, the first annual "Forty yards to freedom" was an intramural event that brought out many fans as well. It was a forty yard race between three competitors, George Beck, Matt "Chauffy" Fields, and Donnie "Mental" Ward. In the end, Ward won the contest, but the story was never printed. Let me make it clear, I am not criticizing the paper for not printing this story because things get cut in the journalism business and the paper's advertisers paid for their place in the paper. I am only mentioning this for those who were upset that this story never came off the presses, so if you wanted to read this story, you can read the above summary of what happened on the grass of Scott S. Bair Stadium.

From my experience as an editor, I've met and dealt with many different writers over the last two years. One of the most talented writers was a 2002 graduate named Rick Grams. Grams only worked for the Sports section for a short time, but he was very creative and his sports column was always very interesting to read. Another strong writer, Craig Johnson, contributed to the sports section during my editorship. Craig's stories showed great promise, especially his recent column on the NCAA mascots from the paper's last edition. Another 2002 graduate, Michael Jenkinson, contributed heavily to the sports section as the paper's football beat writer over the last few years. He also wrote a WWE (Oops sorry, WWE) column that gave the readership their diet of his love for the wrestling business.

In conclusion, I enjoyed writing the paper over the last four years and I feel very confident that both Ryan Brod and Dirk Sampels will put an outstanding job of replacing me next fall. Before I say goodbye, I would also like to say that the Co-editors of the Phoenix deserve a lot of credit for their work and dedication to the paper in my editorship. Matt Huff, Ed Schultheis, LeRoy McDuffie, and Erin Romanski put in many hours of running the operation and they deserve credit for their efforts.

So, that's it, I'm out. Long Live the Class of 2003.

Campus Safety News (April 10-25)

Katie Champion
News Editor

4/10/03: 5:45 p.m., Students took pies from Dining Hall and dropped/threw them onto the floor and doors near Forum.

4/10/03: 6:20 p.m., Subject ran over another subject's foot while exiting vehicle on McDaniel Lane.

4/11/03: President's house was paint-balled. House was cleaned and no damage reported.

4/11/03: 10:45 p.m., Pot of water steaming in kitchen of North Village apartment caused fire alarm to sound.

4/12/03: 7:40 p.m., Two subjects observed on roof of McDaniel Hall. One subject found.

4/13/03: Student's room in ANW Hall was entered by someone without permission. Damage was done to personal belongings.

4/13/03: 12:15 a.m., Student documented for possession of hard alcohol in Blanche Ward Hall.

4/14/03: Student's vehicle was hit in the upper ANW parking lot. Suspect fled the scene.

4/14/03: 2:40 p.m., Missing fire extinguisher documented in basement of Whiteford Hall.

4/14/03: 11 p.m., Writing Center attendant reported broken door on first floor of Hill Hall.

4/15/03: 6:25 p.m., Unknown suspect(s) stole two lacrosse sticks from Englar Dining Hall.

4/15/03: 10 p.m., Fraternity accused of hazing pledges in various places on campus. Investigation ongoing.

4/16/03: 1:25 a.m., Student assaulted several times by another student. Charges pending.

4/16/03: 3:43 a.m., Student reported two male suspects in Whiteford Hall. One allegedly assaulted a resident. Investigation ongoing.

4/16/03: 9 p.m., Student's vehicle allegedly struck with green watery substance in Harrison parking lot.

4/17/03: 4:50 p.m., Pan of oil caught fire on stove and set off sprinkler system in kitchen of PA Avenue house. Smoke filled entire house and floor had several inches of water. Fire department notified to assist with smoke

evacuation.

4/18/03: 12:21 a.m., Students cited for possession of alcohol in a dry dorm, underage possession of alcohol, playing drinking games, noise violation and fire code violation in Rouzer Hall.

4/18/03: 1:45 a.m., Student received citation from Westminster Police for underage possession of alcohol.

4/19/03: Students documented for having a food fight in hallway of Garden Apartments. Students told to clean up mess.

4/20/03: 7:37 p.m., Late reported minor motor vehicle accident near Blanche Ward Hall.

4/21/03: Fire extinguisher discharged in Whiteford Hall.

4/23/03: 1:45 p.m., Unknown suspect(s) entered a ground level room of Whiteford Hall.

4/25/03: 12:30 a.m., Students broke into the pool and consumed alcohol.

4/25/03: 3 a.m., Vehicle struck two parked vehicles and one college-owned vehicle near North Village apartments.