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International House lost in shuffle

Construction of new building cancelled; Women's Concerns slated to move

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Executive Editor

The International House, formerly located in Hannon House, will not exist this year due to a lack of space created by the planned dismantling of Alternate Mead.

The cancellation of construction of the new student services center, which was to house the offices once located in Alternate Mead, led to International House being moved to the third floor of Tolley Hall and the Women's Concerns house occupying Hannon House.

When faced with this option, International House Resident Assistant Miho Wada resigned and all the residents pursued other housing options.

The Women's Concerns House will be replaced in the Madison House by the services now located in B-section of Alternate Mead, such as Human Resources and Accounts Payable.

Services presently located in A-section of Alternate Mead, such as the Office of Residence Life and the Office of the Registrar, will be relocated to Tilghman House, and the University services located in Tilghman will be moved to 120 Madison Avenue, a house directly adjacent to Madison House on its north side.

Vice President for Finance and Business Affairs Mike McKitish said after he arrived at Drew he immediately reviewed the University's financial capabilities and suggested that the building not be built.

"We simply don't have enough money," McKitish said. "I've looked very carefully at our expenditures and

this building is not in our long term interest."

He said the University's projected \$2.5-3 million dollar deficit for next year played a part in his decision and that he would be making administrative changes to ensure a tightening of University expenditures.

According to Madison House Resident Assistant Amy Penkin, when the administration decided not to construct the new building, they informed Madison House Advisor Wendy Kolmar that Madison House was being considered for conversion to office space. A meeting was scheduled between Kolmar, McKitish, Vice President for Administration Peggi Howard, Penkin, and eight residents of the Women's Concerns House to discuss any alternatives, Penkin said.

A second meeting was held between McKitish, Kolmar, Penkin, nine residents of the Women's Concerns House, and Dean of Student Life Denise Alleyne, where the decision was finalized.

"Madison House really designed the alternative," Howard said. "They really pulled together and made a decision while thinking about the future of Drew."

She further said that Women's Concerns House residents expressed direct concern for any students displaced by their relocation.

Even though Women's Concerns House residents were informed of the impending move in early June, International House residents were not informed until the second of August after the decision to move their house was made, according to Wada.

She said they were given the option to



120 Madison Avenue will soon house the services now residing in Tilghman House. Photo by Heath Podvesker

move to a special wing of the third floor of Tolley Hall in which the kitchen and a study room would be reserved only for their use. None of the residents, many of whom are juniors and seniors, decided to accept the offer, though, and are seeking other room assignments.

"This decision was made by administrators who really have no understanding of what the houses are all about and who have never even stepped into our house," she said. "They seemed very unconcerned."

She said she was also concerned about the timing of the decision. "We had no chance to protest. I feel the administration took advantage of us because we were abroad."

Penkin said she felt pressured to reach

a decision quickly. "I'm upset that this had to happen in the first place," she said.

"There's no saying it would have turned out different if the decision had been made another way, but at least if we were all there it would have been a consensus."

Alleyne said International House residents were not consulted to the same degree that Madison House residents were, but that this was unavoidable. "It was partially because most of them were foreign students and it was getting down to the wire about the decision," she said.

Even though International House will not exist this year, Alleyne said that all the theme houses will be under review during the course of this year and International House could be reinstated next year.

"Welch or the Suites could be turned into houses next year," she said.

All of the moves should be completed before the February dismantling of Alternate Mead, McKitish said, and Facilities Operations are renovating 120 Madison Avenue and Tilghman House in an attempt to convert the buildings to office space and make them more handicapped-accessible.

Tillman leaves Drew for Dartmouth

Scott Britton
Staff Writer

After four years as director of the Educational Opportunity Scholars program, Associate Dean of Student Life Tony Tillman will leave Drew Sept. 6 to accept a position at Dartmouth College.

Although the decision was not an easy one, Tillman said he thinks his new post as assistant dean of freshmen at the Ivy League school in Hanover, NH, opens up new possibilities both personally and professionally. "I've always been a person to seek out new challenges and go after them," he said. "It's an opportunity to work at one of the more prestigious institutions in the nation."

In addition to helping first-year students adapt to college life through workshops, orientation programs, and academic and social guidance, Tillman said he plans to begin work on a doctorate degree in educational psychology or educational administration.

Tillman's commitment to E.O.S., a program providing socially and financially disadvantaged New Jersey residents with the means to attend state

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—Tony Tillman
Director of the E.O.S. Program

public and private institutions, has earned the University's program recognition as best in the private sector and in a three-way tie for first in the state. On top of that, Tillman was named 1991 Man of the Year by the New Jersey Educational Opportunity Fund Professional Association.

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Those who work closely with him

maintain that Tillman's interpersonal skills and attitude have made the E.O.S. program such a success. "Tony has an ability with presenting the hard realities of life in a way acceptable to the student mind that makes him uniquely skilled in dealing with students," Assistant Director of Student Activities Pat Peek said. "A mutual admiration develops between him and his students."

Junior Desha Jackson said Tillman has pulled her out of numerous crises by going beyond his job requirements. "He's like the dad on campus," she said. "He's intellectual, knowledgeable. If you want to relax, he can get down with you. If you

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Drew admits smallest class in recent years

Tom Fowler
Assistant News Editor

This year's incoming freshman class will be the smallest in recent years according to Director of Admissions Roberto Noya, dropping 11 percent from last year to a total of 279 students.

"There was an increase in the number of women admitted to this year's class," Noya said, "but the drop [in admissions] is mainly due to a decline in the number of male applicants. Our real challenge will be to figure out how to market this place better to males."

The number of applicants decreased nine percent from last year to 1,632, and the number of students admitted is down six percent to 1,277, Noya said.

According to Noya, the enrollment of minority students, which includes African Americans, Native Americans, Asian Americans, and Hispanics, increased from 42 students last year to 50 this fall, which makes up 17.5 percent of the class.

"This is the best percentage of minority students Drew has had in quite some time," Noya said.

Noya credited the three new Thomas H. Kean Minority Scholarships with attracting students who would not have otherwise been able to attend Drew, as well as the new Middle Income Achievement Awards for above-average students who do not qualify for aid but are still in need.

"We couldn't get the full recruiting



Noya has expanded the focus of admissions. Acorn file photo

benefit out of either award since they were implemented part of the way into last year," Noya said. "This year we will be able to use them to our full advantage to attract more students."

The geographic distribution of this fall's incoming class is similar to previous classes with a few exceptions, Noya said. About 52 percent of the students are New Jersey residents, including 40 new transfer students, but there was an unusually large drop in the number of applicants from Pennsylvania and Dela-

ware, Noya said.

"We experienced a greater drop in that region than was expected," Noya said. "We went from admitting 29 students from Pennsylvania last year to only 10 this year."

There was an increase in the number of applicants and enrolled students from New York State this year, according to Noya, as 41 freshmen were brought in as compared with last year's total of 25.

"We did a lot more traveling in New York this past year as part of our plans to increase the number of regional applicants," Noya said. "We applied the least amount of new effort in Pennsylvania, which probably explains the unusual drop. We already have twice the number of visits to high schools in Pennsylvania planned for the coming year."

"There is an improvement in the academic quality of the enrolled compared to last year, which was one of the best years we had had in a while," Noya said. "Fifty percent were ranked in the top 10th of their graduating high school class while combined [Scholastic Aptitude Test] scores improved four points over last year's class to 1162."

The number of enrollees in Drew Scholars Category I and II dropped from 54 last year to 47 this year, Noya said.

Plans for increasing the number of applicants in the upcoming year include an open house in September for prospective students as well as an open house in January for potential Drew Scholars.

"In the past we relied only on Spring

Saturday for perspectives and their parents to visit, but we want to make a somewhat formal invitation for them to visit us on any weekend," Noya said. "We will try and have someone who can give tours and have at least one undergraduate and a professor whom they can meet with to ask questions."

The number of evening sessions recruiters held in different cities will also be increased this fall, Noya said. An admissions officer will also be making a three-week recruiting trip to Asia, the first of its kind for Drew.

A new series of mailings are also planned for the next year, Noya said, including one called "Did You Know?"

"It is a follow-up piece to other literature that points out many facts about New Jersey that a prospective may not have been aware of," Noya said.

Applicants may also receive a letter from University President Tom Kean as part of their material from Drew.

"Since he is not only a national figure but also a parent with a daughter looking into college, potential applicants and their parents may find it a worthwhile piece to read," Noya said.

An additional staff member was added to Noya's office in the past year. Lynette Johnson (C'91) will also work with the Office of Financial Assistance.

"It is clear that it is in our best interest to work closely with the Office of Financial Assistance and to help them out in any way we can, especially when things get really busy over there," Noya said.

News Briefs

Summer security update

The number of crimes on campus this past summer declined compared to last summer, with only two significant incidents reported, Director of Public Safety Tom Evans said.

"Things were really quiet on campus," Evans said. "We had a report of attempted theft of some bikes by the town houses which resulted in reports being filed against four juveniles for trespassing."

A computer was stolen from Riker, Evans said, but was recovered soon afterwards.

According to Evans, the Office of Public Safety stopped providing security for the College of St. Elizabeth this past spring at the suggestion of University President Tom Kean.

Beginning Sept. 1 Public Safety will be required under the new Federal Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990 to compile and publish statistics of campus crimes, Evans said. The act requires incidents of murder, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, motor vehicle theft, weapons possessions, and drug and liquor use to be reported.

"This doesn't mean that every kid who gets drunk on campus will be included in these statistics, but if you are arrested in town and brought before a municipal court, then you will be included in this," Evans said.

Evans said the statistics will be published in a pamphlet every year that will be made available to all employees, students, and prospective employees and students, as required by the new law.

"This is actually a good thing for Drew because our low crime rate will be even more attractive to prospective students and their families," Evans said.

"This information and all information I have is open to the public at any

time, with the exception of sensitive information like the names of victims, and so forth," Evans said. —Tom Fowler

Parking fee increased

Director of Public Safety Tom Evans said students should be aware of the increased cost for parking when registering their cars.

"The new parking fee of \$60 was really an administrative decision and not one that Public Safety was involved in," Evans said. "It is still fairly cheap compared with other colleges and universities though, as, I know, Seton Hall is over \$100 for parking."

A few parking spaces were lost near Asbury Hall and behind the University Center when new lines were painted, but, he said, students should not encounter problems finding parking.

"This year we will be allowing freshmen and sophomores who have Dean [of Student Life Denise] Alleyne's approval to have cars on campus, but they will be restricted to the tennis court parking lot and the Tilghman House lot," Evans said. "This should keep the other spaces open for upperclassmen."

—Tom Fowler

Administrative changes

Numerous changes occurred in administrative positions over the summer. Registrar Barry Kane has resigned to take a position at Colgate University. He will be replaced by Associate Director of University Relations Ken Cole, who will assume his position Sept. 6.

The Office of Career Placement underwent some restructuring, including a change in location from the University Center to its present location in the A-section of Alternate Mead. Whaple Haines became the new supervisor of student employment upon the retirement of Shirley Cameron. As a result of the restructuring, Haines will incorporate



Registrar Barry Kane has accepted a position at Colgate University and will be replaced by Associate Director of University Relations Ken Cole. Photo by Heath Podvesker

financial assistance responsibilities into her position.

Carla Dozier will replace Financial Assistance Counselor Michael Jefferson, who resigned in May.

Vice President of Planning and Technology Rick Detweiler is on academic leave until February 1992. Detweiler, a tenured professor, may teach in the psychology department when he returns. Vice President for Administration Peggy Howard said.

In Academic Computing, Director John Neubert and Joy Murrell have resigned. Adjunct Instructor of Economics Carol Brewer has been hired on a six-week contractual basis while the administration searches for a person to permanently fill the position left vacant by Murrell. Brewer will conduct the freshman computer workshops as well as teach computer science and economics courses. Neil Clarke, presently working in Academic Computing, will absorb the responsibilities of Neubert.

—Christina Palaia

Rumors unfounded

A starting date for the construction of the proposed sports and recreation complex remains indefinite this fall after construction was postponed last spring due to fund-raising shortfalls.

According to Vice President for Development Rick McKelvey, the complex is still a top priority for new construction.

"We have been very diligent in pursuing funds for this project, as one could imagine, but a philanthropic gift of this sort is not like just any business investment," McKelvey said. According to Vice President for Finance and Business Affairs Mike McKitish, the removal of fencing around the tennis court lot adjacent to Baldwin Gymnasium was not in preparation for construction, but was part of a campus-wide beautification project started over the summer.

—Tom Fowler

Mead Hall to be reopened August 1992

Yesha Naik
Assistant News Editor

The Office of Facilities Operations continued with Mead Hall restoration this summer, among other renovation projects. Having completed Phase One of reconstructing Mead Hall last April, Phase Two was immediately started.

According to Director of Facilities Operations Jim Maloney, Phase One, the securing of the roof, windows, doors, and all exterior features of the building, has been completed.

Steve Weiser, project manager for the reconstruction of Mead Hall, said Phase Two, which encompasses all interior work, began in late April. He said the University awarded three contracts including general construction; heating, ventilating, air conditioning; and mill work. Seven other contracts remain to be awarded.

"The inside of the building, the mechanical, electrical, structural, and finishing portion of the facility, has to be restored not only to code, but authentically, accurately, for the 1830 time period," Maloney said.

He explained that the University

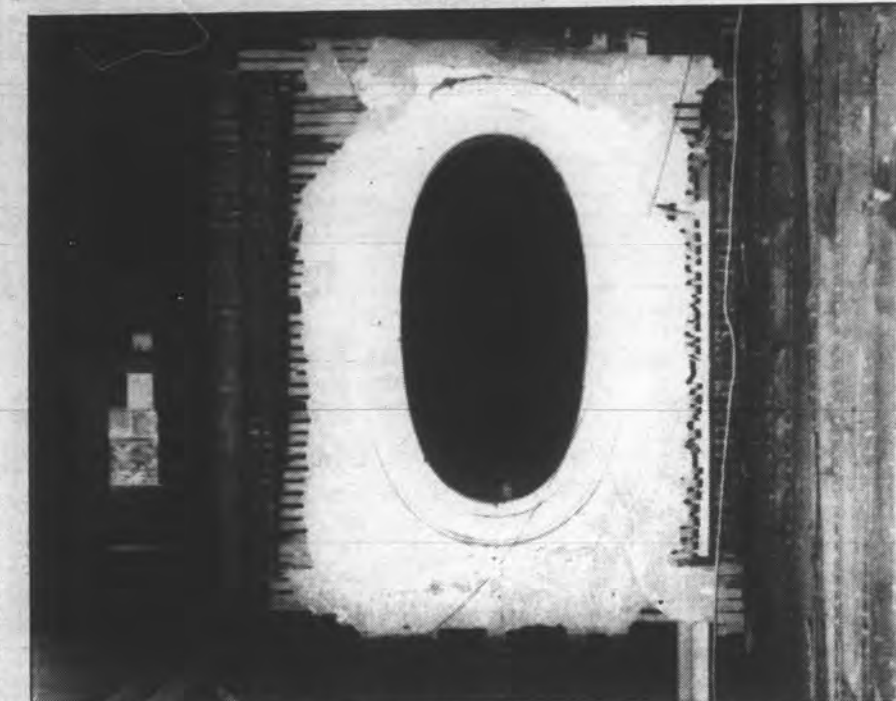
wished to retain Mead Hall's status as a historic landmark. "We also applied for a grant from the state trust and Drew was awarded \$743,000," he said. "It was part of the grant to historically, accurately restore the building."

Weiser said all of the electrical wires within the walls as well as the entire copper piping and plumbing system have been installed and 80 percent of the structural repairs were completed over the summer.

"Basically we've been working on getting things into the walls before having to close them up with plaster," he said.

Weiser and Maloney both said when the building is fully reconstructed by August 1, 1992, it will be used differently than in the past.

"The trustees voted to return the use of the building to a principally academic purpose," Weiser said. "The second floor will be returned to its 1830s wall configuration and used for executive offices. Everyone up at the President's House will be moved to the second floor. But the first floor which had been a hodgepodge—it was all chopped up—will be used as classroom, meeting, or seminar space. There will be no offices



The interior of Mead Hall has been extensively reconstructed over the summer. Photo by Heath Podvesker

on the first floor or in the basement." Once the offices now housed in the President's House move to Mead, the

house will be returned to residential use, Maloney said.

"Right now there is no place where the president can privately, and in a warm manner, entertain small groups of people on campus," he said. "We are one of the few universities I've ever been on that doesn't have a quality house for visiting people to stay in."

According to Maloney, the configuration of the basement space of Mead Hall has yet to be determined. "It could be used for student meetings, it could be used for student government, it could be used for anything," he said.

Maloney also said there was considerable renovation and restoration in other campus locations. "One of the things we do—we've done it several times now—is take the tour that new prospective students take when they come to the campus. And as we walk through it, we decide what we find to be repulsive, what we think can be improved upon," Maloney said.

Hoyt was in particular need of renovation, Maloney said. It had been in constant use for the past three years, not having been shut down even for the summer or JanTerm.

Alexis Talbott, who coordinates painting and carpeting on campus, said, "All of Hoyt has been painted, maybe except a dozen rooms that absolutely did not need it; we didn't want to throw money away."

Talbott also said all of the lounges on campus have been recarpeted and completely painted with new furniture added.

New roofs have been added to the Rose Memorial Library, Morris Infirmary, and Gilbert House, which has had its interior restructured, according to Maloney. "Those aren't fun things," Talbott added. "People don't notice those things. But they're important things."

Talbott said, "The linoleum in the classrooms of Brothers College used to be brown and you could see the holes where they had removed what used to be permanent desks. We went through and put tiles in all of those rooms and painted them so everything is uniform in Brothers College now, which I think is something we can be proud of."

In addition to repairing buildings on campus, Facilities Operations has been landscaping and paving, according to Maloney. He said the area around the College Admissions House had been landscaped, using only the material on the dais from last year's commencement.

Landscaping work was also done on the entrances to the library and B.C., as well as the Tilghman parking lot. The sitting wall in front of the Commons that had been deteriorating was replaced, Maloney said.

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Dear Freshmen,

Welcome to the University in the Forest, the most aptly named school in the country. Undoubtedly, as you unpacked your belongings and took your first strolls around campus, you were able to see the many trees that line our pathways. On your map, you were probably able to point out the reserves of forest surrounding the buildings of academia. And you could not help but notice as you picked up this newspaper for the first time that it is called the *Acorn*, after the many little nuggets that lie at our feet.

That is not, however, the only reason that the University in the Forest is such a fitting description. For today, as we begin a new school year, the lonely traveler that is Drew University stands lost in a forest of doubt, scared of its own shadow. The problems of the day ranging from poor student-administration relations to tight budget constraints hover ominously, even as Drew stands at the threshold of a new era.

In the past decade Drew instituted computer and knowledge initiatives, putting it in a very select group of liberal arts colleges with 21st century technology. With the touch of a fingertip, we can open our computers and check the library's card catalog. Through networking, we can communicate with people across the nation, as well as those within our own Community.

Only two short years ago, Drew took another step forward with the inauguration of former New Jersey Governor Thomas H. Kean as its 10th president. His prominent national stature, as well as his connections within the business community elated many. The hope was, and still is, that he will bring dollars and recognition to a school desperately needing both.

In many respects, we face an incredibly bright future. As we step forward, however, we cannot help but look up at the cloud of uncertainty that continues to doggedly follow us. It is a cloud with ancient origins. It is also a cloud that has recently been strengthened, making it more dangerous than anyone can remember.

First is the specter of student-administration relations. Quite simply, they are poor. Not a year goes by when one administrator or another is not sent packing, tail in hand. Two years ago student protests drove out housing director Ron Campbell. Last year Director of Student Activities Tullio Nieman was forced to resign.

Students and administrators simply do not trust one another. Students complain that administrators make policy changes without seeking their input, as with the party policy last year. Administrators note that students do not understand their job. The result of this bickering is a divided Drew Community, one incapable of making the consensual decisions necessary to forge ahead.

Another problem is one of more recent origins; the budget crisis. There is a huge demographic problem sweeping colleges across the nation. There are simply not enough students to go around. The result is that every college has to make a difficult decision; either lower standards or enroll less students.

Drew has opted for the latter. And as a result, the freshman class numbers only 279 students, as opposed to about 370 in 1989's incoming class. Multiply that difference by the cost of tuition for freshmen and it is easy to see how little money we have.

Last year, that point was driven home when every department on campus was forced to cut costs to a bare minimum. Many administrators complained that they had cut as much as they could, that there were no fringes left. They noted that any future cuts, which are inevitable this year, would be quite painful.

Now is the time for new ideas—a fresh perspective. And that is just where you, the freshman class, come into the picture. Go to student government meetings. Read the *Acorn*. Become informed. And, most importantly, speak out. Never feel that these are issues better left to the juniors and seniors. The future of the University is important to all of us, and should be especially important to those who have just begun their journey through Drew.

Maybe then we can get out of the forest of doubt—and into the walls of ivy.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Theological student calls for cross-cultural group

To the Editor:

Some of the returning students already know me, Marj Evans-de-Carpio, my husband, Lalo Carpio-de-Evans and our son Ariel Carpio-Evans. I am a U.S. citizen of European descent and Lalo is a citizen of the Dominican Republic of African descent, and Ariel, well, he's both! Although there have been some special difficulties in our lives because of the inter-racial, cross-cultural and cross-social-class nature of our marriage, Lalo and I both agree that the overall diversity in our family has been a real blessing, enriching both of us individually, our relationship as a family unit, and we even hope it has enriched those who know us.

Out of the recognition of these blessings, we would like to have a time and space apart to celebrate this aspect of our lives with others of multi-racial, multi-ethnic identity. We invite such persons to form a new group with us. We have not given the group a name, nor have we outlined specific goals because we would like to leave that open for the entire

group to determine at its forming.

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Marj Evans-de-Carpio
Theological School Student

Kean not afraid to make tough choices

Greg Gordon
Staff Writer

Ex-Governor Thomas H. Kean has spent almost a year and a half as president of Drew University. It seems that little has changed. The budget deficit looms ever larger, the freshman class has shrunk and students remain reticent. Professors and staff voice mixed opinions about an administration that they feel lacks a true interest in our university. I disagree.

Living on campus this summer allowed me to glimpse our President's administration in action without the distractions of the academic year. I liked what I saw.

Kean's administration doesn't waver, waffle, or beat around the bush. Many of his staff carry credentials straight from state government. They go straight for the jugular of a perceived problem and try to solve it. New Vice President of Financial and Business Affairs Mike McKitish comes to mind.

Remember the letter we received this summer about a rise in housing costs. I was angry and I'm sure you were too. When asked why it happened, McKitish had a simple answer.

The conservation plan students proposed—the one that kept Haselton open—is a joke. It couldn't possibly work and he wasn't going to allow the school to go one more penny into debt. We wanted Haselton to remain open, so we're paying for it; problem solved. McKitish is a competent bean counter who will go a long way to solving our budget woes. His decisions may not thrill students, but they just might save this school.

Second, students constantly complain about being in the dark when the administration makes decisions. Kean's people seem to go out of their way to receive student input. When Athletic Director Dick Szlasa announced his departure in July, Presi-

dent Kean called a meeting to help decide his course of action. Even though it was summer, his staff found several student athletes on or near campus and invited them to attend. Only one showed up.

Student Government Association President Sodan Selvaratnam fought for and won the right to recommend student representatives to administrative committees and keeps an open line of communication with the President's House. This way we'll find out about problems before, not after, they happen.

Kean also hired a new director of corporate relations, something this campus has sorely needed for years. You can't raise the big bucks unless you go after the big fish. We're getting rid of Alternate Mead and our roads have even been paved.

A decade of indifferent leadership put this school on the verge of collapse. Everyone in the Drew Community was happy because nobody was forced to address the tough decisions about this University's future that should have been made long ago. We've got a mighty oak with rotten roots. With Kean comes some first class surgeons, fresh top soil and some badly needed Miracle Gro.

This new administration has put a fire under the ass of our school. Those who don't want to move will get singed and complain about the burns. Kean has done all he can in his first 18 months to reverse years of neglect, bad planning and laziness. His people are making decisions—which is more than can be said for many of the administrators who Kean sent looking for jobs. Some decisions will be right and some wrong, but risks are part of the game. Instead of being naive, be realistic.

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Working families need legislation

Laurie Rosenberg
Assistant Opinions Editor

The dramatic increase in the number of women working outside the home in recent decades is well-known. This increase means most American parents—in single-parent and two-parent households alike—have both job responsibilities and families to nurture. For a great majority, this is necessary to make ends meet. While not perfect, most of the time it works. But there are certain compelling circumstances when both parents simply cannot work. At these times, the system breaks down.

What happens when family or health needs force employees out of work temporarily? Do they lose their jobs and their financial security? Luckily, many do not because their employers have family and medical leave policies guaranteeing them their jobs when they return. The knowledge that they will be able to return to their jobs and their incomes and that their health insurance coverage will continue during their leaves from work helps these employees and their families meet their family needs and weather their medical crises.

Unfortunately, not every employer provides employees with such security during periods of family and medical leave. Many states impose some requirements in this area, but no federal law mandates job-guaranteed family and medical leave as a minimum labor standard.

Thus, in our modern society, so advanced in many ways, people still lose

their jobs when they have babies or adopt children. They lose their jobs when they are seriously unable to work because of a serious medical condition, or when they miss work to care for hospitalized children, parents, or spouses.

When workers lose their jobs, they also lose the financial security that those incomes mean for them and their families. For two-income families, such losses can cause severe hardship; for single parents, they can precipitate a descent into poverty and even homelessness.

There is legislation pending before the 102nd Congress—the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1991—that would provide a minimum labor standard for working American families.

The F.M.L.A. would provide workers up to 12 weeks of unpaid, job-protected leave in times of extraordinary need. Medical leave could be taken when an employee faces a serious medical condition; family leave would apply when an employee needs time to care for a newborn or newly-adopted child, or a seriously ill child, spouse, or parent. Health insurance would continue, and, most importantly, employees would be guaranteed their old jobs or an equivalent when they return to work.

I don't pretend that a minimum labor standard of job-guaranteed family and medical leave can prevent family tragedies. But I do suggest that job-guaranteed family and medical leave can alleviate some of the pain and stress families suffer during their most trying times.

Moreover, had a federal labor standard already been implemented, the fi-

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nancially disastrous consequences of job loss for many American families in crisis could have been prevented. And, some of the drain on society as a whole—in the form of unemployment compensation, for example—could have been reduced.

The dramatic changes in social and economic life in America make it imperative that the federal government provide legislation on work and family. Change will not happen overnight to be sure, and it won't be an easy struggle. These policy needs are urgent, yet they come at a time when our government is attempting to reduce overall spending. The F.M.L.A. of 1991 is not a call for bigger government; it is a call for good, responsible government.

As a traditionally reactive policy making body, our legislative branch of government must realize that some of the most effective and successful domestic policies include money-saving, preventative initiatives like family and medical leave.

Government action may not be the prescription for all that ails American families, but to underestimate the federal government's role is worse. To ignore the federal government's obliga-

tion to its families is to pass up an opportunity for this country to compete in the next century.

Strong families are a necessary foundation for the strength and stability of the United States. What strengthens the family strengthens society.

United States domestic policy needs to work for families caught between job and family responsibilities. Emphasis on family and medical leave legislation must transcend the mess of bipartisan politics because the sorry fact remains that the U.S. has a large, unfinished agenda when it comes to pro-family legislation.

Anyone who has witnessed or studied this country's development knows that establishing minimum labor standards in response to social problems is a long-standing American tradition. Other such laws include the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, which establishes the minimum wage and restricts child labor, or the Age Discrimination Act of 1967, which prohibits age-based discrimination. It is now time for our elected officials to realize that the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1991 is consistent with this tradition.

The President

New school year brings change to Drew Community

Sodan Selvaratnam
S.G.A. President

As I watched last year's class graduate, a lot of thoughts passed through my mind. First, I was very sad to see many friends leave. I was scared and at the same time excited that my last year at Drew was approaching. It amazed me how fast time had gone by and when I stopped to look, I started to appreciate some of the things that Drew had nurtured within me. But as I stopped and looked, and as the class of 1991 was receiving their diplomas, it dawned upon me that Drew University was ready to take steps towards a new era... and of course, this new era would be triggered by many changes.

While at Drew for the summer, I was able to witness first-hand many of the changes taking place within the administration. For instance, a search has ensued for the new position chief academic advisor. The deans will work under this new administrator, centralizing a previously decentralized system. The University has also begun searching for a new athletic director.

The make-up of our administration seems to be changing. Many may feel these changes are being made too fast and—in Drew tradition—without much thought. During my talks with University President Tom Kean, however, he assured me that these structural changes are taking place after much thought, research, and consultation.

That, of course, does not mean that we, as students, should forgo the role of watchdog that has proved to be so essential in the past. I merely believe that every person should be considered innocent until proven guilty, and every person should be given a chance to prove themselves. Many of the new administrators have told me they will lay all the cards on the table. They claim that we, as

students, will not have to worry about any hidden agendas, as has happened far too often in the past. Let's just cross our fingers and hope that Drew's tradition of broken promises will not continue.

I am willing to cooperate during these times of difficulty and change; hopefully the reputation and quality of our University will rise as a reward. If it does, we will have the chance to show our approval through increased alumni contributions. And if it doesn't, we can just as easily show our dissatisfaction through the same avenue.

There is one more reason why we should not just sit back and blindly complain. That reason is that our past concentration on complaints, instead of on positive action, has resulted in very little change for the better.

Often times in the past, our Student Government Association has rarely dealt with the big picture. Rather it has justified itself with limited, short-term goals and assumed that all the inefficiency was to be blamed on everybody else.

We never questioned why the Senate meetings lasted hours longer than they should and why some committees never met and were never held accountable. We also never questioned why we seemed to discover things after they happened and were forced to create an uproar to change them. We never questioned why our S.G.A. structure did not have a steady flow of communication with various administrators.

This summer I got ideas from some of our new senators, talked to our S.G.A. advisors, read some books on legislation, and researched how S.G.A. evolved over the past few decades. With the feedback of others, I came up with a structure that ideally has the answers to many of these questions. This proposal will be presented at the first Senate meeting on Sept. 10. It will be up to the your senators to vote on and pass this plan. I hope when

your senators vote they will keep in mind who they are representing and vote for what is best for us as students not only for the coming year, but in the long run.

The interests of students should cross over the boundaries of university and enter the realm of community. My experiences this summer were broadening. I worked in Newark for Senator Frank Lautenberg (D-NJ) and experienced the unique issues and problems of the underprivileged. It struck me that we are the future, and will have the chance to solve the problems we face today.

We must start thinking about these issues now. The world is full of injustice, and we are some of the most privileged and untouched by its hands. It is our duty to reach out and make a difference. I have initiated a Big Brother/Big Sister

program at Drew. Children from broken and underprivileged homes need the support and encouragement we can give them. The only thing it needs now are the volunteers.

I am also now attempting, with the help of Kean, to set into motion a benefit event/concert that will enhance our minority scholarship funds. When I was first elected, the concern of enhancing the ethnic diversity on our campus was raised. After discussion with the concerned administrators, I came up with this idea and strongly believe it will be a step in the right direction.

It is very scary going through a time of change, as we do not know what to expect. As they say "all good things come to those who wait"... hopefully not for long... WELCOME BACK!!!



Soviet Communist Party self-destructs

Kevin Cloppa
Opinions Editor

It's over. After 74 years of Communist rule in the Soviet Union, based on little more than a strong military and a forced ideology, the people of this vast empire have finally decided enough is enough.

No longer will they tolerate a government preaching class equality and practicing class discrimination. No longer will they tolerate a regime that suppresses free thought. And no longer will they tolerate an economic system that has brought little to them, except for long food lines and meager supplies.

It was, quite simply, inevitable. Since 1917, the government of the Soviet Union has been living a lie, claiming to be for the people while working against them. While publicly espousing the Marxist ideal of equality for all, privately they adhered to the Orwellian concept that some are more equal than others. Fancy houses, vacation homes, abundant supplies of food, and limousines are just some of the niceties that the leadership of the Communist Party has enjoyed during the past seven decades.

While it is difficult to tell if the founders of the Soviet Union ever had any intentions of founding a true communist nation, where the workers rule themselves and where government is a thing of the past, it is quite apparent that those who followed did not. Stalin, in an effort to consolidate his own power, undertook one of the most gruesome purges in modern history. Others seemed more interested in fomenting foreign revolutions than in finishing their own.

The fact is that the rule of the working class turned out to be nothing more than the rule over the working class. After all, what else could one expect? The Soviet Union was not a democratic system. The working class did not elect leaders to represent their interests.

Instead, the Communist Party promoted from within, taking the paternalistic attitude that they knew what was best for the workers. The Soviet people were supposed to sit back and believe that these unelected rulers, these self-proclaimed defenders of the common people, were going to look out for their best interests. Why? Because they said so.

Not surprisingly, this system soon degenerated into a dictatorship at worst, an oligarchy at best. The Communists became no better than the czars they had overcome. Petty power struggles, the

battle for privilege, the ignorance of the everyday existence of the common people were all perpetuated in the Communist system, not eliminated.

There was, of course, one more fundamental reason for the demise of communism in the Soviet Union. The economic system itself was fundamentally flawed. The idea that a nation as large as the Soviet Union could centrally manage its economy, down to the tiniest market decision, was misguided. Because the workings of the market mechanism are so vast and so situationally specific, it is impossible to dictate exactly how this flow should go from one central location. Mistakes in judgment are inevitable, mistakes so fundamental that the whole system could collapse.

That, of course, is what has happened. The system of supply and demand, which the Communists sought to control, has collapsed. There are no incentives for production. Modernization is a foreign word. And the Soviet Union is now facing one of the most horrific winters that it may ever endure.

That is the problem with the concept of communism as a whole. While the idea is nice, the economic regulation needed to bring about economic equality, especially in a nation as large as the Soviet Union, is so vast that it cannot help but strangle a nation's production. In so doing, the nation is plunged, inevitably, into economic disaster. Thus an equality is created—an equality of poverty. Everybody is equally poor—except for those in power.

Today the Soviet Union is trying something different. Instead of settling for the same old order, they have opted for change. They want to eat, to be able to feed their families. They want to speak, to be able to debate what is best for them, rather than accede to those who "know better." They want to be free, free to make their own mistakes and learn from them, rather than repeat the stale mistake of communism for seven more decades.

During the past week, the people of the Soviet Union have made history by overthrowing one of the most repressive, totalitarian regimes the world has ever seen. They have inspired many through their courage in the darkest hours, as tanks rolled toward the Russian Parliament building. And they have done it all almost bloodlessly, finishing a revolution in a week that the Communist government could not in a century.

If the will of the Soviet people is a mark of their future success, the future is very bright indeed.

Use senior wisdom for good of campus

Jason Kosnoski
Executive Editor

"Hell, it really doesn't matter if we care or not about the University; we're seniors," I heard him yell from across the hall.

Even though I really do consider myself a person who does care and has invested much time toward the improvement of our college, something rang true about his statement.

I found myself thinking of the ultimate futility of any action I might undertake during my last year here. What can I accomplish in a year, while having to apply to graduate schools and prepare for entry into the real world?

And more importantly, shouldn't I be preparing for the rest of my life instead of engaging in the pantomime activities which most find important during their lives in college?

I mean, what does it matter if the administration passes a policy with which I do not agree? Why should I waste my time educating the campus concerning environmental issues? No one really reads the *Acorn*, so why should I write for it?

I quickly realized the utter selfishness contained in my line of reasoning. We as seniors know the most of anyone on this campus. Our experience is invaluable to the rest of the student body. We should be involved in not only expressing our views and remaining active, but also educating those younger than we on how this university actually works.

But, as I said before, even when you are a freshman, the perception exists that most non-academic pursuits in which we participate are only temporary distractions, exercising little impact on the rest of our lives. No matter how heinous the decree laid down by the Office of Resi-

Activists could learn lesson from Russian revolution

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"It is a thing to be proud of." So said Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev in describing the efforts of the Soviet people to defend their constitution and its vestiges of democracy against the coup led by Vice President Gennadi Yanayev and the State Emergency Committee he headed.

The brave deeds of the Soviet people were broadcast throughout the world. Many felt the terror of the Russian man almost crushed in his desperate attempt to stop tanks on their way to the Russian Parliament building. People worldwide felt the jubilation of the Muscovites as they toppled the statue of the founder of the first Soviet secret police.

These words are hardly sufficient to describe the courage, angst, and joy of the brave Soviet people who were willing to fight and die to defend their beliefs. But one word can sum up the model they have helped to mold and which others should try to emulate: Action.

Earlier artists have helped shape this form. The Chinese students in Beijing, the laborers of the Solidarity movement, the migrant workers of California, and the Black peoples of South Africa have all dirtied their hands to show later generations how to stand up and fight for what they believe is right.

Only through action can others be made to understand and be willing to compromise on or think about their wrongdoings. Of what use is a human willing to be trampled by others around her/him? That person, sitting once at ease, watching events pass by, will only become a slave, trapped by events seemingly uninteresting at the time, but formed of barbed wire and bayonets once they have passed.

It will be easy for people to read this article and say they too have had a hand in the formation of this mold. Haven't we all given at least small donations to charitable organizations? Didn't we write letters at Amnesty last year?

These small contributions to

movements to which one feels affinity are certainly admirable in light of the majority of people, who, in their lethargy, would not even allot time for the consideration of what they believe to be trivialities.

But is this the best you can do? Doubtful am I that our lives are so busy with thoughts of school and study that time cannot be spared to talk with the elderly across the road or with the homeless in Morristown or in your hometown. One can even write pitiful articles for the newspaper in a perhaps vain attempt to motivate some of the sloth-like out there.

No matter which cause you ally yourself with, always existing is a need for support above the monetary level, above letter-writing. Going, doing, and being counted as a supporter are the most effective ways to lend a hand to any group.

One might question the timing of any action taken. Certainly, the leaders of the Soviet coup were too late, as some principles of democracy had taken hold of the citizens; principles so new and fragile the comrades could not let their grip slip for fear of losing their treasures forever. But that hold was at best tenuous. In the face of overwhelming military power and the plight of disorganization, the precious vessel almost cracked. Soviet citizens saved their golden egg. Shouldn't Americans defend their hen house as well?

Action on every front needs to be taken now. If you support the choice to have an abortion, support that right. If you want to free political prisoners, start now in doing what you can. If you want to stem the conservative tide drowning this nation, do so now. And remember too that though many organized causes exist now, others will need to be organized later. It is never too early to start defending an interest, keeping it from harm in the future.

Recently, at a concert I saw a shirt carrying the inscription for this piece. Written on the fabric was "Words: Action=0." None of us wants our lives to be meaningless.

These small contributions to

dence Life, it will only affect us for four years, or in our case one year more.

The thing we don't realize is that college is really the first time we must deal with authority directly and not fall back upon our parents for direction on how to deal with the bully or heavy-handed teacher. If we do not act in college, we will most likely be passive for the rest of our lives.

For instance, thousands of children reared in the passive '50s suddenly found thrust upon them an environment of questioning and agitation when they entered college in the '60s. These heretofore lambs were protesting on the streets for civil rights for all races and free speech on campus.

Of course not all of these students maintained the same political fervor they once possessed, but many still maintain that fire; certainly many more

than would have if that turbulent period did not exist.

So once again it is important that we constantly maintain our awareness and activity on campus. If we do not, the generation below us will know only the example of indifference and apathy, not one of activity and critical thinking.

I now look back at when I was a first-year student and all of the wonderful people I came in contact with and befriended and realize what an impact they had upon me. I truly thank them for that.

I certainly do not expect every first-year student to look upon my life and the life of every senior as paragons of truth and excellence; that would be extremely egotistical. Yet if we make a conscientious effort to remain active our senior years, we will not only accomplish surprising amounts, but also do our parts to pave the way for an active future.

daka guarantees quality food service

Larry Grady
News Editor

daka, Inc. (pronounced day-ka) has arrived this fall as Drew's official dining service, bringing back not only such University Commons standards as the pasta bar and the grill room, but a commitment to openness between management and students and a unique limited money-back guarantee.

"We are off to a good start," Director of Food Services Rick Joseph said. "We want the students to know that we are here if there are any problems. We can only get better if we have immediate feedback."

So far people have been candid, Joseph said, and if daka is wrong on a certain point, they will correct the problem.

"No one can be perfect. We are just getting our feet wet. It will probably take a month before we know what the students want."

Joseph said there will be a react-to-management session the second week of the semester, where daka's management will take comments and suggestions directly from students. A suggestion box will also be available for students' comments.

daka's limited money-back guarantee will issue a credit through the Business Office to any dissatisfied student who contacts a food services manager. If the manager is unable to resolve the problem, daka will credit a portion of the money received from the University back to the student's account. According to Joseph, only a minimal amount of money has been returned in the couple of years this program has been in operation.

"daka is a low-key company," Joseph said. "You will not see anything that has

the name daka on it. We want to be known as part of the University, working with it, and not considered an outside contractor."

Director of Student Activities Pat Naylor said, "I do not think you are going to see any radical changes or radical deviations from Seiler's. We expect the board program to be essentially the same, the quality to be the same."

Some new additions will be a weekly menu sent through the mail to students,



Rick Joseph stands by daka's money-back guarantee. Photo by Heath Podvesker

presenting each meal's offerings and highlighting the special events. Also, individual pizzas made from fresh dough will be served in the Commons during lunch and dinner. However, due to delays in the arrival of equipment, the service will not begin until Oct. 1. A salad bar in the Snack Bar is also being considered.

The new managers of the Commons and Snack Bar respectively will be Henry Nesbitt and Ana Rhodes. The previous Seiler's hourly employees were all invited back, Joseph said, though not all have returned. Joseph denied the rumor that the employees were offered a dollar less per hour than they were receiving

Area Studies implemented

Larry Grady
News Editor

The Area Studies program will begin in an experimental stage this semester. Four new faculty positions have been added and introductory courses in African-American area studies, Middle Eastern area studies, and Asian area studies will be taught.

However, one of the faculty positions remains vacant as Associate Professor of Anthropology Nancy Fairley, who was to teach the Introduction to African-American studies, was forced to return to her former position as a tenured professor in the SUNY system, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts Paolo Cucchi said. A search committee will begin to look for a replacement.

Assistant Professor of History Laurie Bernstein, Assistant Professor of Philosophy Mara Miller, and Assistant Professor of Religion Christopher Taylor join the faculty in the Russian, Asian, and Middle Eastern area studies programs respectively. All were hired on a full-time basis. Bernstein and Taylor will each teach an introductory course in their area, and join Miller in teaching two other interdisciplinary courses.

Two part-time faculty members were also hired. Sarah Talis will lecture in the African-American studies department, and Professor of Japanese Philosophy Miyoko Tsumi will teach Introduction to Japanese.

Aside from teaching their courses, the new faculty members will use the rest of their time to develop their area of study, Cucchi said.

"This is just the beginning," Cucchi said. "There is some funding available for them to slowly build the program, organize some special events, and to bring in visiting speakers."

Taylor said he and the other members of the Area Studies committee

have a responsibility to be a resource person for the community. "I see my role being to help facilitate the development of the program," Taylor said. "There will be a number of stages. Not everything can happen all at once."

The funding comes from the Drew Plan, which is a fund collected from fund-raising and alumni contributions.

Cucchi said he believes it will take several years for students to be able to either major or minor in one of the area studies. The Russian Area Studies program is being used as a model for their growth, he said.

"We have to look at what has worked here before and try some things," Taylor said.

Taylor said he hopes all the faculty in the area studies program work together in approaching the common problems that face each area. "Whenever you deal with multiculturalism it is good for people in each area to deal with those in other areas," Taylor said. "I hope there is a lot of communication with those in the Area Studies program and with those in other interdisciplinary areas such as Women's Studies."

The area studies courses do not yet fulfill any general distribution requirements since they are only in the experimental stage, though Cucchi said they should soon fulfill one of the requirements.

The faculty and the Board of Trustees also approved in concept another part of the Area Studies program involving the second-year seminar, which would allow students to travel abroad during JanTerm. However, the second-year seminar is on hold pending funding. According to Cucchi, University President Tom Kean and the Office of Development are currently soliciting financial assistance. The program would require approximately \$800,000 a year.

under Seiler's management, saying that they receive the same rate as last year.

"All of the people employed under Seiler's were offered positions with daka," Naylor said. "That was something daka and the University agreed to before the contract was signed." She also

said that she did not believe any of the rumors to be true.

Naylor said the Food Services Committee will remain active. "What we all want is to have the best food program on campus for our student body. The only way to do that is to have constant feed-

because the foundation is too strong."

Instilling his students with this responsibility is, perhaps, what Tillman does best. "When I first came to Drew, I viewed Tony as a very important model or standard that was being maintained on this campus," Peek said. "He helped students develop identity and pride in their ethnic backgrounds and cultures and history, whatever that happened to be."

Above all, Tillman said he will miss the student body. "They walk around with coffins, and they picket, and they do all kinds of stuff—and they do the University proud," he said. "A couple years ago [students thought] there was no school spirit. They were looking for something external to grasp onto. They didn't realize that the spirit comes from within each student. How they feel about the school, how they get involved, how they promote the school, how they even approach their studies."

"Drew is by far one of the few institutions that I have had the privilege of working at that allows for creativity, that allows for professionals to be innovative and to try new things. I'm just hoping that I can be as successful [at Dartmouth] as I think I've been here."

TILLMAN: Search for new E.O.S. program director to begin

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just want to be crazy, he can be crazy with you. He's a Renaissance man—he has it all."

Dean of Student Life Denise Alleyne has promoted Director of Career Planning and Placement Laure Paul to fill the associate dean position when Tillman leaves; Paul will continue with her current responsibilities as well as assuming new ones.

According to Alleyne, finding a new E.O.S. director, however, will be a more difficult task. "We've got some resources in the area that may be able to help us out until we can find someone," she said. "Anthony's presence will be a great loss to the entire community. You couldn't get a better quality person than Anthony, and in terms of what he's going to be able to contribute [at Dartmouth], it's definitely going to be a benefit to them—and a great loss for Drew."

Tillman's colleagues say they think he may be just the person to shake up Dartmouth's reputation for conservatism. "He's going to bring Dartmouth a fresh face and a challenging presence, and he will demand things of that place that maybe they haven't been asked," Peek

said. Other changes in the E.O.S. staff—recruiter/counselor Ursula McGee's maternity leave and the replacement of Michelle Dupree (C'89) with former College of St. Elizabeth admissions counselor Sherrine Boleman—require that a dedicated, qualified replacement be found soon, according to Tillman.

"The best advice that I could leave would be to try to the best of their ability to ensure that, whomever the individual may be, that it is an individual who cares and understands the mission of the program and has a commitment to that mission," he said. "By no means is this an easy job, definitely not nine to five. [The program needs] someone who's creative and willing to take risks and not be conservative in their outlook."

Alleyne said she has not yet decided how she will conduct the search process for a new E.O.S. director, but students may be involved in that process. "Having students on [search] committees has been interesting, but there is a lot of work involved in educating students," she said. "I think they can give some good insight and can be valuable."

Filling Tillman's position is of special concern to E.O.S. students. "If we can

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Twelfth Night

Festival comes to Bowne

David Mandel
Entertainment Editor

The New Jersey Shakespeare Festival's summer residence at Drew has suffered the same financial problems theatre companies, like all businesses, are encountering all around the country.

To combat both the inherited and acquired deficit, Artistic Director Bonnie J. Monte and the N.J.S.F. staff devised the "Pennies from Heaven" fund-raising crusade to scrounge up money for paint, costumes, and other critical odds and ends.

N.J.S.F. surprised its 1991 summer audiences with a youthful season including Shakespeare's *The Tempest*, Thornton Wilder's *The Skin of Our Teeth*, Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, and *Dark of the Moon*, by Howard Richardson and William Berney.

The final stretch of the season has arrived, and N.J.S.F. bids farewell until next season with a lavish production of Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*, the fifth and final production of the 1991 season. Monte directs this production.

One of Shakespeare's richest and most popular plays, *Twelfth Night* is an intricate web of plot and emotion riddled with high-spirited fun, bittersweet romance, grave melancholy, and joyous celebration.

N.J.S.F.'s production sets the stage in the middle of the 18th century during

the time of Mozart, rococo, and the absolute height of extravagance. Instead of Illyria, Yugoslavia's the place, where the warm winds of the Adriatic temper the opulence and affectations of the aristocracy and allow true love to emerge.

Edward Herrmann, who plays Malvolio, won a Tony award for his performance on Broadway in *Mrs. Warren's Profession* with Ruth Gordon and Lynn Redgrave. He has appeared in many films, including *The Paper Chase*, *Reds*, *Annie*, *The Great Gatsby*, *The Purple Rose of Cairo*, and *The Lost Boys*.

Elizabeth McGovern, in the limelight due to her film appearances in *The Handmaid's Tale*, *She's Having a Baby*, and *Ordinary People*, plays Viola.

Laila Robins, who played Steve Martin's wife in *Planes, Trains and Automobiles*, portrays Olivia.

This year, Joe Discher (C'91) from the Drew Community joins the ranks of this Actors' Equity performance. Professor of English Frank Occhiogrosso served as dramaturg, and Nick Boyle (C'91) was assistant to the director.

Twelfth Night runs through Sept. 21 at Bowne Theatre. Regular ticket prices range from \$14 - 30, but Drew students are entitled to the student rush price of \$5.15 minutes before curtain with proper ID.

Central Lunch has sat in the center of Madison for over 60 years. Most would guess 100. The dilapidated, one-story, yellow and brown establishment announces its presence to passersby with a vertical sign reading simply "Lunch."

The building remains a lasting vestige of Madison's past, as does Joe DeBiase, who has spent his life behind its counter.

DeBiase's father Carmine opened Central Lunch—known to regulars as simply Lunch—July 13, 1928. Coffee cost you five cents.

"My father said, 'One day you're going to pay a dollar for a loaf of bread,'" DeBiase says. "Now I look around and rye bread is \$1.65."

The prices go up with time, but every year on July 13, a cup of coffee costs a nickel.

DeBiase took the reigns from his father in 1959 and for 32 years has risen before dawn to unlock the door and greet his first customers at 6 a.m. When he was too young to reach the doorknob, DeBiase would follow his parents in and sleep under the counter while they worked. He spent after-school hours playing on the block outside.

But the block became boring for young DeBiase. Enlisting for four years in the United States Navy, from 1955 - 59, gave him a chance to see the world.

"I asked for the biggest ship in the Navy, and they gave it to me, the carrier *U.S.S. Forrestal*. We took two Mediterranean cruises. I got to visit my great uncle Louie in Naples."

After the Navy he traded a uniform for an apron and returned home. He has never left.

Central Lunch hasn't changed much since DeBiase's childhood. He still cooks on an original Smoothtop gas oven. Customers drink from the same porcelain mugs his dad served coffee in decades ago.

"I'm a Taurus," DeBiase says. "We don't like change very much."

The fire inspector made him install a new hood over the oven last year. DeBiase was furious.

"I can't talk to my customers while I cook. The damned thing's too loud."

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ENTERTAINMENT

Lunch hasn't changed

Greg Gordon
Staff Writer

Central Lunch has sat in the center of Madison for over 60 years. Most would guess 100. The dilapidated, one-story, yellow and brown establishment announces its presence to passersby with a vertical sign reading simply "Lunch."

The building remains a lasting vestige of Madison's past, as does Joe DeBiase, who has spent his life behind its counter.

DeBiase's father Carmine opened Central Lunch—known to regulars as simply Lunch—July 13, 1928. Coffee cost you five cents.

"My father said, 'One day you're going to pay a dollar for a loaf of bread,'" DeBiase says. "Now I look around and rye bread is \$1.65."

The prices go up with time, but every year on July 13, a cup of coffee costs a nickel.

DeBiase took the reigns from his father in 1959 and for 32 years has risen before dawn to unlock the door and greet his first customers at 6 a.m. When he was too young to reach the doorknob, DeBiase would follow his parents in and sleep under the counter while they worked. He spent after-school hours playing on the block outside.

But the block became boring for young DeBiase. Enlisting for four years in the United States Navy, from 1955 - 59, gave him a chance to see the world.

"I asked for the biggest ship in the Navy, and they gave it to me, the carrier *U.S.S. Forrestal*. We took two Mediterranean cruises. I got to visit my great uncle Louie in Naples."

After the Navy he traded a uniform for an apron and returned home. He has never left.

Central Lunch hasn't changed much since DeBiase's childhood. He still cooks on an original Smoothtop gas oven. Customers drink from the same porcelain mugs his dad served coffee in decades ago.

"I'm a Taurus," DeBiase says. "We don't like change very much."

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it any other way. "I don't know anything else," DeBiase says. "I don't have to."

"That's 'cause he's too stupid to do anything else," snaps Joe Barra, the friend DeBiase has running the register.

"We're glad you took this route," adds a middle-aged couple as they finish their burgers, smile, and wander out. The mailmen at the end of the counter slurp down their coffee and also head for the door.

When business slows, the proprietor stops to chat with his customers. Most of them dine there daily, and DeBiase knows everyone by name.

"I have the best customers—not customers, family. Their troubles are my troubles; their happiness, too."

He lights a cigarette, takes a puff, and blows the smoke out while rubbing his chin thoughtfully.

"Do you listen to opera? I love Pavarotti's manner, but I think Domingo has a better voice. Jussi Bjoerling is my favorite, but he's dead."

A calendar above the cash register and left of the clock shows the days of August. A three- and four-digit number fills each little box.

DeBiase puts up the winning lottery picks every day so his friends can check their tickets over breakfast. He reads his horoscope daily and pays \$15 a year for special lottery numbers sent through the mail. DeBiase claims to win about \$300 a month.

"The average person wouldn't see this, but this morning three cars were parked right out front with the licenses 141, 151, and 161 all in a row. I've got to play those numbers tonight. What's the chance of something like that happening again?"

An elderly gentleman wanders in, gingerly takes a seat, and orders some coffee. "This one's on the house," DeBiase says. "You get the last cup of the day. It'll curl your hair."

The clock shows 2:45 p.m. DeBiase locks the front door and flips the sign to read closed.

Unfortunately for Madison, DeBiase ends the family line. A confirmed bachelor, he has yet to sire offspring to take his place behind the linoleum counter, worn from decades of lunches.

"My father used to say, 'We're squeezing a lemon. When the juice is gone, it's over.' In a few years I'm going to retire. Nobody else could run this place. They would start changing things and it just wouldn't be the same."

A simple man with a simple life, Joe DeBiase has never regretted any of his decisions. He loves his job, his patrons, and his friends.

DeBiase removes his apron and pulls a dusty bottle from under the counter.

"I don't drink much, but this is excellent Polish brandy." He pours two small glasses, hands one across the counter and smiles.

"To Lunch."

TOP 10 LIST

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Bill

Andy Fenwick
Asst. Entertainment Editor

Don't even ask me about my summer. Why can't you dopes get it into your thick, liberal arts skulls that maybe some people don't have good summers? Maybe they get caught in dead-end jobs and then quit and get another job and then get fired from that one only to get too sick to get another job?

Wait. Let me explain. I think I was cursed.

I worked at a summer camp; NOT a day camp but a real camp where the kids sleep over.

Before the campers arrived, I swam in sweat, didn't shower for weeks, got ticks, and didn't sleep well at all. I woke up every day at 7 a.m. to work for Bill, who appears in almost all camp-related slasher flicks.

Bill was weird. His dog was weirder. Jesse was an old, black hound dog that Bill loved so dearly he named his only daughter after it. No kidding—his three-year-old daughter was also named Jesse. I swear I heard whispering voices everytime that mutt came around. It was evil. Bill talked to it.

Bill's appearance didn't help either. He wore tight-fitting jeans from 1976 that told us right away he was male. His hair was a close cropped, black helmet. An older man, hired by the camp to assist Bill, told us Bill was Amish. We believed him.

One day in Bill's shop, we found a well-cleaned machete, carefully kept in an embroidered sheath, complete with a belt.

Bill knew what we thought of him. Like all young staff in camp slasher flicks, we were obnoxious kids who smoked reefer and sipped booze and necked. But we weren't too tactful with Bill. We'd be out in the woods somewhere, safely secluded, and would start to talk about Bill.

He'd show up. Everytime. We became paranoid, wondering if he'd bugged the forest. He might have been a ninja, dropping from trees or using his magical powers to teleport into our midst.

One day he caught me throwing a rock at his dog. I missed, but the damage was done. He stood at the edge of the woods from which he had materialized and just glared at me. I saw his lips move, and then he disappeared. The dog too.

The rest of my summer was like surgery without anesthesia. I have Bill to thank.

Maybe I'm a little lucky the camp slasher flick metaphor ended there. I could have ended up at the end of that machete.

But by the way things were in August, that would have been considered humane.



This untitled photograph is from the exhibition, "Calle/Street: Photographs by Mark Cohen," which runs Sept. 5-25 in the University Center Photo Gallery, Room 104. The gallery is open Mon.-Fri. 12:30-2 p.m. and 7:30-10:30 p.m. Cohen will speak on his work with a slide-talk entitled "The Psychology of Street Photography" in University Center Room 107 at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

Games to Play this Week

bingo	7-up
duck, duck, goose	quarters
archery	horseshoes
ghost	jacks
balloon ball	parachuting
spud	make a pyramid
boccie	tiddlywinks
catch	snooker
pickup sticks	make a fort
funneling	sharpshooting
lawn darts	mumblety-peg
smeer the queer	tick-tack-toe
charades	tether ball
climbing	tobogganning
cricket	paddle tennis
dominoes	leapfrog
hearts	stinker
cowchip-toss	roommate swap
check-bouncing	how 'ya doin'?

IT SEEMED THAT MARY'S "REALITY" HAD A CONSCIENCE, AND WOULD GIVE HER ADVANCE WARNING OF WHEN IT PLANNED TO LEAVE.



Mom

David Mandel
Entertainment Editor

This is just a reminder from a concerned community member.

Most of us return to Drew after living for three months with our families. Congratulations to the independently wealthy people who could afford to work cool jobs away from home and somehow scrounge up enough money to pay for laundry.

My mom did a lot of my laundry this summer, despite my pledge to turn over a new oak leaf and do it all by my little bleaching self. There just didn't seem to be enough time.

Something happens to our wide-eyed appreciation of all things bright and beautiful when we come home. Like Sartre said, hell becomes other people. Perhaps this summer hell, for you, consisted of your nagging mother. We hear, "Would you take out the garbage like I asked you to?" or "I worry about you being in an accident when you're out this late," or my favorite, "Now, David, it doesn't matter what you do with your life, as long as eventually you become a doctor."

It's not their fault that they say these things. Mothers somehow genetically can't resist the Top 40 guilt phrases and nagging clichés. Deep down, they just care about us and want us to be able to do our own laundry.

While we watched the world premiere of Van Halen's "Poundcake" on MTV, Mom dreamt of having the "free time" to set up a volunteer medical clinic in Honduras or some hot place where people would appreciate all that she does. In short, Moms never seem to have a break or a "Thank you."

I really wanted to do something about this. The stereotypical American nuclear family has the "man of the house" in a

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I read a naughty book this summer

Teddy Bundy, Jr.
Special Guest Writer

My mommy took me to the library today and put me in the summer reading club. I like the club because it lets me read really neat books and then report on them. Now the summer is almost over, and I have to do a report on my favorite book of all. I pick *American Psycho*, by Bret Easton Ellis, the guy who wrote *Less Than Zero*. It was a really cool book, even though it was hard to read.

Lots of parts were really dumb. The main character, Patrick Bateman, always had to tell what everyone was wearing and what famous person made the clothes. A lot of stuff was really described a lot that didn't need to be. I don't remember much of the 1980s, because I was really little, but I guess that adults then, if they were rich, thought too much about dumb stuff like clothes, stereotypes, and money. Patrick always did this, and it was really boring and stupid to read.

But then Patrick got mean. He did lots of drugs at these clubs and left with different women, even though he had a steady girlfriend! Patrick did lots of crazy things. He thought crazy stuff, like how to kill someone he was talking to, or how they would look while they died. He played with himself while watching a talk show about Nazis. But worst of all, he really killed people. He killed a homeless man, the man's dog, a Japanese delivery boy, and a man who had a better job than he did. But mostly he killed lots of women. He started to take lots of different drugs. He took them all the time. He killed more and more people. He invited different women, some for money, up to his

apartment to make babies. Sometimes he'd do it with two women at once, or watch two naked women do things to each other. Then he'd kill them.

The way this book was different was because of how Mr. Ellis described the murders. In other movies and books, the authors leave the yucky stuff out or only show a little bit so your imagination scares you better. But Mr. Ellis does it a new way. He describes everything, and it's really scary. No one else does it. If they did, it wouldn't be this good.

Mr. Ellis is a really good writer. But he doesn't care about the person reading the story. If I were a writer, or a teacher, I would like this book. It's important. But it isn't any fun to read.

I'm only a kid, though. Smarter people might really like it.

Editor's note:
Teddy is a fourth grader currently enrolled in a school for children with violent tempers.

Boyz 'N the Hood beat hoods in the woods

First-time director upstages big-business Hollywood; Prince of Thieves robbed

Andy Fenwick
Asst. Entertainment Editor

Hood. This summer, it became a word with new-found significance. No longer did it simply apply to the thing hanging off one's sweatshirt or juvenile delinquents in the '50s. Its new usage was put into play by two films: *Robin Hood* and *Boyz 'N the Hood*. Sadly, only one resembled anything as exciting as a juvenile delinquent. The other was as commonplace as a sweatshirt accessory.

Robin Hood, despite a few highlights, comes off as an episode of *The A-Team* in the Ewok Village, complete with a building and repairing scene. Kevin Costner's speeches on courage and how to be a real man are beneath even the philosophizing of Hannibal Smith, who simply left it at "I love it when a plan comes together." George Peppard probably would have been a better Robin. More interesting, at least.

Morgan Freeman excels as a Muslim devoted to returning Robin's favor of

saving his life. Accent firmly in place, Freeman embarrasses Costner's lack of one, making Robin sound like a farmboy from Indiana playing in his treefort.

Once again, as in other huge heist features (*Batman?* *Dick Tracy?*), the villain steals the show. The bad guy from *Die Hard*, as the Sheriff of Nottingham, tears himself apart over Robin's exploits with energetic insanity and just the right twinge of camp. At once frightening and humorous, he remains the bright spot in this otherwise hokey action film.

And then I walked into the real Hood. Hood as in the neighborhood of South Central Los Angeles, where the poignant *Boyz 'N the Hood* takes place. First time director John Singleton, aged 23 years, delivers a tale firmly rooted in reality. The film begins with the statistic "one in every 22 black males will be violently murdered," and from there chronicles the lives of three Boyz.

With that, one can guess the probable outcome of the film. This could have been a setback, but Singleton's delivery

of the story deepens the statistic with the contributing factors and possible alternatives to living a short, violent life in South Central L.A.

Boyz 'N the Hood will be shocking to those of us who live protected lives. Singleton pulls no punches: Airplanes fly overhead and drown out the dialogue. Police helicopters with searchlights plague the neighborhood at night. Characters are toyed with at gunpoint in their own driveways. The simple tension of the setting is enough to last two horror films.

Yet this is a positive film. Although Doughboy, angrily portrayed by rapper Ice Cube, fails to escape, two characters do. One owes his success to a loving but demanding father figure, seemingly the missing puzzle piece in such lives as Doughboy's.

John Singleton must be lauded for his efforts. For as Hollywood escapes to film pandering slop such as *The A-Team* in the forest, complete with cheesily patriotic speeches by Costner, Singleton has broken through to the public with a movie having no intention of being a "movie," but with the goal of being something more. Maybe the huge studios will wake up and realize that right in their own backyard, which they've ignored, is a talent with more right to philosophize than Kevin Costner, who belongs on the back of a sweatshirt.

OEDIPUS

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sweaty tank top burping and asking the wife to bring him another beer. We require "Mom" to work the full-time job, drive the carpool, plan the bar mitzvah, pay the bills, and do the shopping.

For her recreation time she whips up homemade chocolate, cheesecakes and five-course gourmet meals.

We sloth around on the phone noshing the Snyder's Pretzels and playing Nintendo. "Dad" drinks his brandy and polishes up his pool game. After all, he's been working all day. Sheesh.

I wanted to give Mom that vacation she'd dreamed. I was idealistic. Dad would make the gumbo, or the garlic bread, or something that he could feel proud of, and I would take out the garbage and set the table, do the housework, and solve the ozone problem.

As a matter-of-fact, for a couple scary nights this summer, I actually believe that Mom got to kick back to drink her wine. She was free of the "duties" that

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Movies

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Here is my cat.

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Rub my tummy
and you'll have good luck!

never should have been bestowed upon her in the first place.

Dad and I felt better about helping out, but it really didn't change much for Mom. I don't think our cooking attempts were even noticed, but then again neither was the cockroach that Dad threw into the gumbo. The things we thought were monumental were just daily routine for her. But what do we want? A cookie? A medal? Mom doesn't get any of these.

In general, Moms just don't get any respect. I think moms shouldn't have to do all of this stuff. I want things to change.

For starters, just make sure you thank your mother when you get to Drew. She deserves it, and you know she's waiting by the phone right now. Pick up that AT&T or MCI calling card, come into touch with that of Oedipal complex that's been plaguing you, and at least say, "Thanks, Ma. I promise not to bring so much dirty laundry home next summer." It's a start.

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1991 Acorn pro football preview

More of the same: The 49ers, Bills contending, the Patriots pretending

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With the dethroning of the San Francisco 49ers as Super Bowl champions and the apparent disassembly of that unit, there is no clear-cut dominant team in either conference. At the same time, the NFL still contains areas of strength and weakness. Familiar faces remain among the elite and the outcasts of the league.

NATIONAL FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

Contenders: There are a handful of teams that could be playing during the third week of January. With Steve Young replacing the injured Joe Montana for the first quarter of the year, it is clearly a new era for the San Francisco 49ers. If they hope to reclaim the Vince Lombardi Trophy, the 49ers must find a replacement for the often injured and ineffective running back Roger Craig and take the heat off whoever is throwing bombs to Jerry Rice and John Taylor. What most overlook is the overall dominance of a defense with few household names but a plethora of talent. Even though the New York Giants won the Super Bowl, their power running game wears opponents down more than it overwhelms them. The preseason quarterback battle between Phil Simms and Jeff Hostetler was a complete bore. New Head Coach Ray Handley made the right choice in Hostetler; also, look for young Rodney Hampton to replace Otis Anderson sometime this year. The Giant defense has some significant age in key areas but should continue to be one of the best in the business.

The Philadelphia Eagles have been busy in the off-season. New Head Coach Rich Kotite has brought discipline, class, and most importantly, good game-day decision making to the Eagles; all qualities the now-departed Buddy Ryan lacked. The offense should be better with a year's experience under Kotite's system and new Defensive Coordinator Bud Carson inherits one of the better talent pools in the league. The Eagles need to develop some consistency with their running game to reach the next level. That is something the Washington Redskins will never have to worry about. With a huge offensive line and a stable of runners, the 'Skins constantly put pressure on opposing defenses. "The Posse" of wideouts Gary Clark, Ricky Sanders, and Art Monk pose a serious threat, but QB Mark Rypien must perform with more poise than he has in the past. There are more questions on the other side of the ball, where new blood is being injected into an aging unit. Ancient Matt Millen should see time at middle linebacker, where he has lots of heart but little range. The secondary could be a nightmare. After saying all of that, note that the 'Skins always manage with super coach Joe Gibbs at the helm.

The Chicago Bears head possibly the weakest division in football, meaning they are contenders automatically. Neal Anderson is the most complete halfback in the league, but he now runs behind an aging line. QB Jim Harbaugh must move the ball through the air more successfully than in the past, as their passing offense ranked dead last in 1990. The defense is purely first rate, but the one-dimensional offense could keep the Bears away from the big game. Pretenders: Certain teams tease you with their potential but never show up in the clutch. Case in point: The Minnesota Vikings. This organization still feels the brunt of the dreadful Hershel Walker trade. Not only did they give up first-

round picks for three consecutive years, but they are one game under .500 since the deal. The Vikings could rebound from the nightmarish 6-10 season of last year and earn a wildcard spot, but would need some help from Chicago to win the division. Speaking of nightmares, how about the Los Angeles Rams' defense last year? New Defensive Coordinator Jeff Fisher brings a much-needed fresh, aggressive style that he learned from mentor Buddy Ryan. The only problem is that Fisher doesn't have the horses Ryan had in Chicago and Philadelphia. The Rams' offense can put some serious points on the board, but you cannot win by having to consistently outscore your opponents. The major hype this summer seems to be going to the Dallas Cowboys. Why? Despite the slew of draft picks from the Walker and Steve Walsh trades, Dallas has gaping holes in key areas. The Cowboys' meal ticket is Troy Aikman, and they cannot afford to see him injured due to the ghost-like pass protection of a year ago. Their defense is just an idea at this point. One team that

Rodney Peete. The Tampa Bay Buccaneers... yawn... more of the same for this sad franchise.

AMERICAN FOOTBALL CONFERENCE

Contenders: Every prognosticator seems to heavily favor the Buffalo Bills to repeat as AFC champions, and it is not a bad selection in the least bit. Thurmon Thomas supplies the most complete package, both running and receiving, out of the backfield in the conference. The real reason for the Bills' ascension to the Super Bowl last season was the remarkable improvement on the offensive line and the surprising play of Bruce Smith's mates on the defensive line, and a stellar group of linebackers. They could move up a step this season and win the whole shebang. Serious competition will come from the Kansas City Chiefs, who could have a more talented defense than the Bills. The Chiefs can pound the ball up the gut of a defense like no other team, monster-sized running backs Christian Okoye and Barry Word doing most of the damage. They do need to improve the

Pretenders: There is not much difference between this group and the contenders. The Miami Dolphins recently signed Dan Marino to a mega-money deal, and with his pleasant offensive surroundings, he should continue to thrive. His quick drop passes are lethal and hide his lack of mobility. Running back Sammie Smith will miss at least the first four games with an injury. Middle linebacker John Offerdahl stands out in an otherwise ordinary defensive group. If the Los Angeles Raiders can stay out of injury trouble, they could slip into the elite of the AFC. But with all of their older players, especially on defense, they could run into some problems during the second half of the year. Is Jay Schroeder for real? With Steve Buerlein traded last week, he better be able to run the offense for the whole year. The Cincinnati Bengals should be right in the thick of the AFC Central race. Their offense can flat out score with anyone, but half the time the Bengals cannot keep their opponents off the board to stay in key games, as can be attested to by their 26th overall defensive ranking. There is no pass rush to speak of, which puts undue pressure on what is a very competent secondary.

The Denver Broncos collapsed brutally last season, as QB John Elway suffered through his toughest season in recent memory. The tremendous dropoff in offensive productivity can be attributed to the disintegration of the line. The Broncos could use some size on the defensive front three, but their draft solved some potentially big problems at linebacker. The Seattle Seahawks were the surprise of the conference last season. Who is Derrick Fennell? Well, he led the rejuvenation of the Seahawk running game, which is called "Ground Chuck" after Head Coach Chuck Knox, who traditionally likes to keep the ball on the ground. Last year's first-round draft choice, defensive tackle Cortez Kennedy, must assert himself if Seattle wants to even dream about the playoffs. Now that Eric Dickerson is in the fold seemingly for the long haul, the Indianapolis Colts are optimistic that they will improve on last season's modest 7-9 performance. Every so-called football expert laughed when the Colts surrendered so much for Jeff George last year on draft day. But George has made the Indianapolis management look good with a strong rookie year. Unfortunately, the Colts are in the same division with Buffalo and Miami.

Offenders: The New York Jets are trying to rebuild their organization with an innovative young coach in Bruce Coslet and an aggressive, intelligent general manager in Dick Steinberg. They are ripping up the team's personnel, and replacing it with young, inexperienced talent. That means the Jets are at least a year away from contention. The San Diego Chargers have gone from Air Coryell to... Air Fries? John Friesz that is, and he is the new starting QB. He would be best to hand the ball off to Marion Butts, the 250-pound fullback who is the team's heart and soul. The Chargers need time to put the building blocks around young stars such as Burt Grossman, Anthony Miller, and Junior Seau.

Now it starts to get ugly. The Cleveland Browns have a long way to go on the path to respectability, although there are reports out of camp that new Head Coach Bill Belichick has improved the attitude and talent significantly this year. One thing is for sure, they will not be worse than the New England Patriots. Then again, nobody is.

THE CRYSTAL BALL

NFC East	AFC East
Giants 11-5	Bills 13-3
Eagles 11-5	Dolphins 10-6
Redskins 10-6	Colts 8-8
Cowboys 8-8	Jets 6-10
Cardinals 5-11	Patriots 3-13
NFC Central	AFC Central
Bears 11-5	Steelers 10-6
Vikings 9-7	Oilers 10-6
Packers 7-9	Bengals 8-8
Lions 6-10	Browns 5-11
Buccaneers 4-12	
NFC West	AFC West
49ers 12-4	Chiefs 11-5
Saints 9-7	Raiders 9-7
Rams 7-9	Seahawks 8-8
Falcons 6-10	Broncos 7-9
	Chargers 5-11

Super Bowl Champion: Buffalo Bills

could break through into the contender ranks is the New Orleans Saints. With a star-studded linebacking corps, the return of top lineman Frank Warren, and a youthful injection in the secondary, this defense could line up with almost any in the league. Saints fans, however, must have wondered if Steve Walsh was worthy of being labeled "quarterback of the future" based on last year's dismal performance.

Offenders: All of the Cowboys' fans would have had to seriously worry about the Phoenix Cardinals, if it weren't for the preseason knee injury to young QB Timm Rosenbach that ended his season and the Cards' chances at significantly improving. It would have been a struggle anyway, with possibly the worst defensive line in pro football. The Green Bay Packers' line is not much better. The Pack needs a healthy Don Majkowski to run their offense and a featured running back to take the ball 25 times a game.

The Atlanta Falcons could move to the pretender level with their bevy of offensive firepower and solid pass defense. Head Coach Jerry Glanville never was able to win the big games when he was in Houston, so why should he start now? The Detroit Lions have a run-and-shoot offense quite similar to the Falcons, minus the talent. Defensively, the Lions have some big-time players, which could give this young team some momentum when the offense gels at mid-season behind either QB Andre Ware or

overall speed of the offense, particularly at wide receiver. They could also use a halfback that can turn the corner. Can veteran QB Steve Deberg have a season like last? If not, the Chiefs might struggle to win the division.

The Central Division could be the toughest to forecast in the league, but it looks as if the Pittsburgh Steelers could be the best of an ordinary bunch. The Steelers, another team with a strong running game, will feature sophomore runner Barry Foster more than Merrill Hoge and Tim Worley. QB Bobby Brister has come under fire in the past and could receive a challenge for his starting position from Neil O'Donnell. Both are solid players. 1990 first-round pick Eric Green, a 270-pound tight end, could become the focal point of the offense. On defense, the Steelers have the top secondary in the game. But then again, maybe the Houston Oilers will finally make all the people who pick them to win the division each year happy by actually putting together all of their talent and forging deep into the playoffs.

Men's soccer faces challenge of inexperience

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The men's soccer team faces a unique challenge this year. With seven of last year's starters lost to graduation, the Rangers are left with only three returning to the starting lineup. Players and coaches alike say they expect a successful season, despite the team's youth.

"We can do as well as last year," junior Bill Geyer said. "We should be able to win 11 or 12 games, optimistically."

Optimism is characteristic of the players and coaches, in part due to the team's performance in its first scrimmage against Trenton State College. TSC brought back all of their starters, including an All-American who was previously ineligible. The Rangers went 1-1 against a team that beat them last year in overtime.

"It was a good scrimmage," head coach Vern Mummert said. "Everyone played and you've got to love a result of one and one against a team like Trenton."

One asset of this year's team is the addition of full time assistant coach Chris Parsons whose responsibility lies in developing the offensive line, which is the youngest part of the Ranger's squad. With so many of the front line graduated, Parsons is working with a whole new set of faces this preseason.

"We're more defined this year," Geyer said. "Chris' expertise is attacking and scoring so that what we need the most, offense, gets special attention."

Parsons said, "This year's preseason is moving slower than in the past because we are teaching new systems to the players. We are stressing points and going over the basics because we are taking players that have each learned



Rich Martin will be one of only two players with extensive varsity experience in an extremely young Ranger defense. Photo by Heath Podvesker

from a high school coach, and teaching them to play together, here."

The young players have turned out to be a strength of the team. "This year there are excellent, talented freshman recruits," Mummert said. Certainly the first year players showed much hustle in the scrimmage and of the 14 recruits, four or five could see significant playing time this season.

"The freshmen are a very good class, and we have two transfers who are very good," senior Dimitri Spiliadis said. "A couple of the guys will be fighting for starting positions."

However, the returning players and coaches say they believe there is still a lot of work to be done. Mummert's challenge is to formulate a team that works together, despite the immaturity of the team as a whole.

If the youth of the team brings reason for concern, the Rangers can rely on the

experience of their defense. Senior Jim Martin will play at left defender, with his twin Rich at stopper. Sophomores Aran Madden, Todd Julian, Steve Smith, and Andy Sciare will battle over the sweeper position. Geyer, a 1990 All-Middle Atlantic Conference second team selection, and sophomore Mark Stewart, who greatly improved over the spring and summer seasons, share responsibilities in goal. "With Geyer in goal, and an experienced back four, I think our greatest strength is the defense," senior defender Rich Martin said.

The midfield is highly inexperienced, returning only one starter, sophomore Mike Clark. Fellow sophomores Jeff Bryan, Mario Ferraro, and John Simpson, as well as two freshman, Drew Lochi and

Ramsey Salemah, will fight for starting positions.

Forwards Spiliadis and sophomore Rob Kenyon are the only returning scorers. The team needs the new talent to come up with goals in order to put marks in the win column.

"If our goal scoring is good, we can win games, but without them, it will show in the tie column," Geyer said.

The front line will feature Spiliadis and Kenyon, and any combination of sophomores Dylan Sujet, Lorenzo Cavallaro, and transfer Eric Beiter.

Mummert has yet to pick captains, but the team members say they hope to come together as a unit soon. With so many new players, team fellowship allows the recruits to feel more comfortable.

"Because this year we didn't have a sub-varsity team, so there is not as much of a split between the starters and the second string players," Geyer said.

"Some of the freshman are going to find themselves starting and if they find themselves out there, they are going to be out there because they can play, and being a freshman will have nothing to do with it."

Mummert said, "Overall, I'm pretty happy. We still haven't determined the starting lineup and we haven't won a game—we still have a lot to prove."

RANGER NOTES: Looking at this weekend's Fall Festival, the Rangers first game is versus Lynchburg College, against whom they have never played. The second game pits Moravian versus Montclair State, two traditionally tough teams. The Rangers will be playing tough on both days after last year's disappointing loss to Swathmore in the finals.

Gridiron Guesses

WASHINGTON AT DALLAS

To make it to the top, Dallas must beat some tough divisional opponents, the Redskins being at the top of the list. Aikman should be able to utilize his talented young receivers to exploit some weaknesses in the Redskin pass defense, but unless they receive a strong running performance from Emmitt Smith, it won't be enough.

The 'Skins, an up and down team the past few years, never seemed to play up to its outstanding potential. But with the quarterback changes of last year, Mark Rypien may finally do what he's capable of to avoid risking being out of a job. The 'Skins' talented corps of receivers should make that easier against a relatively inexperienced Dallas secondary. And with Matt Millen adding a new spark to the Washington defense, the Skins should be able to plug their holes and hold off the scrapping Cowboys in a close one. **FINAL: Redskins 24—Cowboys 23**

PITTSBURGH AT BUFFALO

As defending AFC champions, big things are expected from the Bills. Everyone knows about the big numbers the Bills offense can put up when QB Jim Kelly is healthy and when Thurman Thomas runs wild in the backfield. It may be tougher against an aggressive Steeler defense, but after a disappointing end to last season, the Bills offense should be pumped.

In the Steelers' case, Bubba Brister will never put up big numbers, but this should be his year to lead the Steeler offense, especially with his favorite target, tight end Eric Green healthy. But to be a contender, the Steelers need to run the ball effectively, a tough task against a defensive line led by all-pro Bruce Smith. Pittsburgh may keep it close for awhile, but against a dominating Buffalo defense, they should fall short. **FINAL: Bills 31—Steelers 17**

—Shawn Sullivan

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Intangibles answer field hockey questions

Brian J. Duff
Sports Editor

As another preseason begins, the field hockey team faces several challenges. The Rangers lost eight starters to graduation, including their entire defensive corps. They return only three seniors and two juniors with sizeable playing experience.

In addition, the team lacks the number of players it has enjoyed in the past. A quick glance at the aforementioned facts might lead one to write off this season as one of rebuilding. However, the Rangers possess certain intangibles which could nullify the notion of this being simply a rebuilding year.

Seniors Missy Della Russo, Susan McNulty, and Kara Schermerhorn will team up with junior Jessica Platt to form an experienced, high-powered offense.

Junior Tanya Meck will be called upon



The Rangers begin their season Sept. 14 against Manhattanville. Photo by Nicole Patenaude

to provide much needed experience in what will be a very young defense.

The leadership this quintet has provided is essential to bringing this team together. "The five upperclassmen have been leaders both on the field and off," coach Maureen Horan-Pease said. "They help the younger players on the field, which enables them to learn as they go along."

Another intangible the Rangers possess is an extremely devout work ethic. "In the preseason, we are trying to set the standards for hard work so that the team as a whole will carry those standards over into the games during the season," Meck said.

The leadership from the upperclassmen and the team's work ethic is augmented by a talented group of sophomores and freshmen. The sophomores, who last year learned many valuable lessons from the graduated starters will now have the opportunity to show what they have learned, as well as make names for themselves on the grounds of their own efforts.

Two sophomores who have already stepped up and made a large contribution to the team are Kelly Ahearn and Tami Hine. As freshmen, a defender and an attacker respectively, Ahearn and Hine have volunteered to learn the goalie position and in doing so fill a large void on defense.

"Both Tami and Kelly are making a great transition from the field to goal," Platt said. "They are performing much better than would be expected at this point in the preseason."

A talented bunch of newcomers are making the transition from high school hockey to the college level, and will be pushing the sophomores for a share of playing time on both offense and defense.

"The freshmen are dedicated and are learning the system quickly," McNulty



Kathy Whelan faces off against Amanda Dolan. Whelan and fellow sophomores will be counted on to fill the void left by graduating seniors. Photo by Nicole Patenaude

said. "They are gaining experience while having some fun."

Another intangible that could be a key factor to the Rangers' success this season lies in their schedule. The season-opening Fall Festival does not begin until Sept. 14. This gives the team an extra week of preseason. This fact combined with their three scrimmages may allow them to compensate for their collective lack of experience.

Also, with only five away games, the squad will be at home on the Poligras surface for a large portion of the season. "We have good team speed," Horan-Pease said. "Having so many of our games on the turf will allow us to use that speed to our advantage."

The addition of full-time associate coach Dawn Henderson and assistant

coach Amanda Dolan to the coaching staff has enabled the staff to cover more ground in less time.

It is still early in the preseason, and there is much ground that remains to be covered. Positions have not been completely assigned, and roles have not been fully defined. However, it appears that there is a strong foundation present in the form of intangibles indicating that the Rangers are in line to have yet another successful campaign.

In the end it will simply come down to the players believing that they are capable of having a winning squad.

Perhaps coach Henderson put it best, "The girls are all good, talented players they just need the opportunity prove it to themselves on the field."

SOCCKER: Defensive strength will keep Rangers in games

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newcomers: Senior Dara Jolly and freshmen Heather Tyndall and Colleen Hurst. Along with freshman defender Bridget Hogan, the first year players are all expected to play important roles.

"All the newcomers are very good," Jones said. "I expect them to contribute to this team. Adding them enables the team to have players of equal caliber of ability for substitutions."

The place where the team's biggest question marks appear to be is also where their biggest strength exists—the defense. With the graduation of sweeper Valerie Brecher, a hole opened up in last year's strong backfield. The Rangers will also miss junior Becky Baird who was a starter early last year before an injury prematurely ended her season and will now be abroad for the semester. But the squad is confident that adjustments will be made to keep the defense solid.

The play of the back four will revolve around the strong play of Runyon, the field general of this team. If Kaiafas does not play sweeper, Runyon could start there, but Jones would like to keep Runyon at stopper to enable her to have more offensive involvement.

"Erica really controls the field," Morgan said. "She's definitely the most vocal player out there."

Though the defense is not definite as of yet, the team will need strong play from senior Lin Bardusch and sophomore Jen Toner, as well as from junior Mary Kate Appicelli. Jones feels Appicelli's quickness will benefit the defense, but don't be surprised if much of her playing time is at midfield where her speed will help the offense. Hogan and sophomore Angela Savino could also see significant playing time in the backfield once Jones

finalizes his defensive strategy.

Anchoring the team will be junior goalie Pam Bayha, a two year starter. In 15 starts last season, Bayha compiled a 2.34 goals-against average, a .849 save percentage and four shutouts. More than once last season, Bayha came up with the big play when needed.

"She's really a key player on this team," Runyon said. "She saved some big games for us last season."

If Bayha can keep the opposition from putting the ball in the net and the team can improve an offense that seemed to sputter at times last year, a post-season berth is not beyond reach. But that will all come down to those intangibles.

"We're a good team, but we still have some small weaknesses," Morgan said. "The communication needs to improve and we have a little confidence problem."

But Runyon is sure that will change. "Just give us a couple of games," she said. "Those things will take care of themselves."

It will be up to players like Runyon, Morgan and Zebick as captains to make sure those intangibles materialize. But with five seniors all expecting to be seeing significant playing time and a strong group of returning players, the solid framework of leadership extends beyond just those three players.

That will be necessary to help this team mature and take the next step toward a higher level of competitiveness. If everything clicks, Jones' "cautious optimism" for the season could develop into outright confidence.

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Women's soccer's big hopes rely on little things

Shawn Sullivan
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Having lost only one starter from the previous year, the women's soccer team has an abundance of both experience and talent, two factors that appear to have the Rangers poised for a solid season. Yet how that will equate into wins and losses at season's end will depend largely on the intangibles that are needed for a team to step up to that next level of play as a truly competitive team.

The Rangers had a very similar outlook at the start of last season, but the results were quite disappointing for a team with such a great deal of potential. That was due in large part to the squad's inability to win the close games.

"We played quite a few games last year that could have gone either way," coach Dan Jones said. "They were make-or-break games that we just couldn't seem to win."

If the team had been able to win just two of those close games, a frustrating 5-9-1 season could have materialized into a very respectable .500 season. To achieve that mark this season, the team will have to learn to find some way to win those tight games.

"I feel we will be very competitive this year, but it will all come down to winning those close games," Jones said.

"That will make the difference in the season. We have 15 games this year; we could win eight or nine, or we could win five. It's hard to tell."

The final outcome of the season will rely heavily on how the aforementioned intangibles affect the close games. Early in the previous season the team was lacking the intensity and enthusiasm needed to prevail in the big games. Jones addressed that problem at mid-season, and the team responded by playing much more competitively when games were on the line. The lesson having been learned last year, an all-out effort has been made in preseason to boost the morale of this year's team.

"Playing is a lot of fun this year," senior tri-captain Melissa Morgan said. "Last year's team didn't have this much spirit until the middle of the season. The enthusiasm level should help us have a good season."

Morgan will present an important intangible of her own. The two-time team M.V.P. suffered an off-season knee injury and has worked hard to regain her all-star form at midfield. She has received doctor's clearance to play, but it still remains questionable as to how much playing time Morgan will receive with-

outrisking more serious damage to her knee. Even if her playing time is limited to such an extent that she cannot match her

offensive output of last year (four goals and seven assists), Morgan's presence on the field in itself will present a significant contribution.

"Just seeing Mel back on the field is an emotional lift," senior tri-captain Erica Runyon said. "Everyone knows how hard she worked to get back, and we're excited



With an injury to Melissa Morgan weakening an offense that has struggled before, the Rangers will look to Dawn Zebick to increase her scoring this year. Photo by Nicole Patenaude

to see her playing again."

Morgan's return will also have an important effect on the play of junior Danielle Baraty, last year's leading scorer with a record-setting 13 goals and three assists at striker. Baraty has very good ball control, and she has proven she can score, but it is important that the team not place the entire offensive load on her shoulders if Morgan cannot play. Baraty should at least equal her goal total of last year, but other players will have to step forward and help ease the offensive burden and balance the scoring attack.

To achieve that, Jones will look for senior Tiki Hartshorn and sophomore Carrie Reilly to assert themselves more offensively at the striker position, even if it's not in the goal column. Once again, the intangibles come into play.

"The team needs them to contribute on offense even if it's just in terms of assists or crossing balls," Jones said.

Sophomores Anna Richter and

Samantha Hajjar will also be expected to contribute at the striker position, as will senior Dawn Zebick at times as well. Zebick, the third tri-captain, will probably spend the majority of her time at midfield, but at either position, Jones will look for her to utilize her aggressive style of play to increase her offensive total of one goal and three assists of a year ago. If Morgan cannot play, Zebick will find herself in a much more prominent role as the playmaker in the team's offensive scheme.

Junior Zach Kaiafas will also be looked to for a big contribution at midfield, although her aggressiveness could earn her significant time at sweeper. In either case, Kaiafas' competitiveness enables her to make the big plays that can turn the tide of a game.

The midfield will be rounded out by junior Marijke Mathijssen and a trio of

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—Dan Jones
Women's soccer coach

Szlasa: Director during decade of change

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Assistant Sports Editor

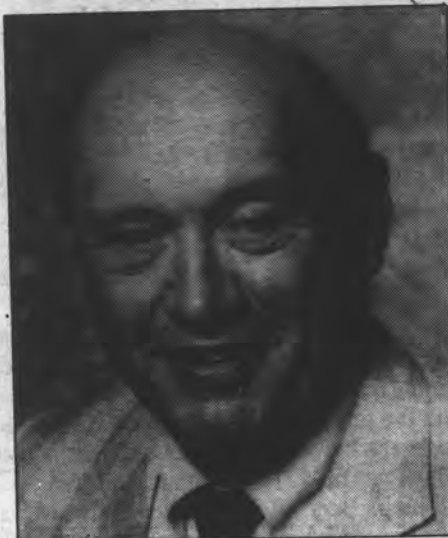
After 10 years at the helm of Drew athletics, Dick Szlasa resigned over the summer from his positions as athletic director and chair of the physical education department to assume a teaching position at the Glenelg Country School in Glenelg, MD.

Before arriving at Drew, Szlasa had compiled a 125-70 career record as lacrosse coach for the U.S. Naval Academy, Washington and Lee University, and Towson State University. He brought that experience here and helped build the Ranger lacrosse program to competitiveness while compiling a 40-29 record.

However, Szlasa's biggest contributions were made not in his coaching position but in his role as athletic director. During his decade of leadership, Drew added full-time athletic trainers, more than doubled the number of varsities served by full-time coaches, established women's soccer and women's softball as varsity sports, and brought to Drew the nation's first full-scale outdoor installation of a Poligras all-weather playing surface for field sports.

"A lot of positive things happened while Dick was here," Athletic Co-Director Vem Mummert said. "But he also had to endure a lot of frustration, the new athletic facility not being erected being a prime example."

Before his departure, Szlasa made one final contribution to Drew by fighting a Dean's Council recommendation that the physical education department no longer be able to offer one-credit courses in the University academic curriculum. After an impassioned plea to continue the physical education department's place



Dick Szlasa resigns after a decade in Drew athletics. Photo courtesy of Shelley Kusnetz

as an important part of the Drew Community, a 40-31 faculty vote expressed the support necessary for Szlasa's position. Shortly after his victory, Szlasa announced his plans to resign.

"It was his decision to leave," Dean of Student Life Denise Alleyne said. "He felt he had done all he could do at Drew and that the time was right for both him and the athletic department to move on."

With Szlasa's departure, Mummert and Associate Athletic Director for Women Maureen Horan-Pease have been appointed by University President Tom Kean as interim athletic co-directors and chairs of the physical education department. With Mummert's 15 years of experience at Drew and Horan-Pease's 12 years, the two say they are very aware of the needs of the athletic department and the Drew Community in general. And having so many years working here to-

gether, they said they believe the arrangement will be very advantageous.

"We've been colleagues for years, and we've worked well together," Horan-Pease said.

Even though their terms as athletic co-directors may not last long, both Mummert and Horan-Pease say they are looking forward to making the most of their position. Their first objective is to cement the physical education department's role in the Drew Community.

"We are both faculty members and believe strongly in the academic aspects of P.E.," Horan-Pease said. "It's a common bond between us."

"Physical education is a part of the liberal arts curriculum, and it has a worthwhile and important place in that curriculum," Mummert said. "It's also an important aspect of student life."

To accomplish that mission, Mummert and Horan-Pease will try to find ways around the negatives and look to accentuate the positives of the athletic and physical education departments, both with students and with faculty.

"We want to try to make it more of a community," Mummert said. "We are here for all students, not just varsity athletes."

That has been seen in their attempts to forge better relationships between non-varsity sports and the athletic department. For instance, the rugby club will be allowed to play games this fall on the practice field alongside the turf field.

"We will try to be accommodating with our limited facilities," Horan-Pease said. "We want it to be a nice environment for all people at Drew."

Since their appointments could be limited, they said they found it difficult

to prepare long-range plans. However, they look to establish a good working environment for the new athletic director whenever one is appointed and to help in the process of getting the new sports facility off the ground, about which they say they are very positive.

"President Kean has assured us that he is very positive about the new facility," Mummert said. "He knows the importance of it in enhancing student life."

While Mummert and Horan-Pease perform their duties, they say the administration will attempt to create a representative committee to determine the criteria for Szlasa's permanent replacement and if a national search will be instituted.

"We will try to get together the group within the first few months," Alleyne said. "That way, if necessary, a national search can be started by February."

Alleyne said that if all goes well, a replacement should be found by the end of next semester and that she is confident the decision will be the best for the University.

"With all the changes going on in the athletic and physical education departments, having new leadership could be refreshing."

RANGER NOTES: In other athletic department news, trainer Frank Zilinek made a surprise move in resigning early last week to assume a teaching and training position at Newark Academy. Renee Cork will now handle all training duties, while an immediate search will begin for a permanent replacement and any possible student trainers. Also, Bill Hoskins will receive more administrative recognition for the duties he performs beyond his role as equipment manager.