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## News Analysis:

### Students celebrate African heritage

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February is the month when people of African descent immediately become popular or fashionable. Despite this, many believe that the efforts and accomplishments of all African people need to be explored throughout the year. We at Drew are no exceptions. "Telling Our Own Stories" is the theme for African Heritage Month this year at Drew.

For the first time in a long while, Drew's African Heritage Month has been filled with innovative, lively and informative speakers that have provided our campus with a different perspective on remembering our past and knowing our present and future.

The month began with an opening celebration welcoming back Drew students and faculty who traveled to Africa during the summer and fall semester of 1994. Professional African-American photographer Jules Allen presented a slide show Feb. 6 in University Center 107. He depicted people of color in a very provocative and humanistic light. His photographs are on display in the photo gallery in the U.C. until Feb. 28.

The month's keynote speaker, world-renowned Guyanese scholar Dr. Ivan Van Sertima, lectured on the "Development of African Civilization," spanning a range of topics Feb. 8. He described the six types of

full-blooded Africans and the fact that Africans introduced four dynasties into Europe.

He is a professor at Rutgers University in New Brunswick and his pioneering work in linguistics and anthropology has appeared in numerous anthologies and journals. A regular contributor to the *Inter-American Review*, Allen has published a collection of poems, critical essays and a *Swahili Dictionary of Legal Terms*. He has also written on the subject of the African presence in pre-Columbian America for *The New York Times*.

Leslie King-Hammond presented a lecture entitled "Flash of the Spirit: African Women and Art" on Feb. 16. She discussed an array of topics showing the various ways in which African women have used art to gracefully represent themselves. She thoroughly presented art forms from various ethnic groups in Africa including the Fulani, Ibo, Zulu and Yoruba.

Events planned for the remainder of African Heritage Month include a Kuumba-sponsored viewing and discussion of the film "A Question of Color" on Monday, Feb. 20 at 7 p.m. in Learning Center 30. The lecture will be followed by a discussion with Dr. Antoinette Ellis. The film investigates how the color-complexion issue operates within the African-American community. The documentary

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### CLA releases Strategic Plan

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News Editor**

The College of Liberal Arts Board of Trustees was scheduled to discuss the recently finalized CLA Strategic Plan at a meeting today. According to Dean of the CLA Paolo Cucchi, the CLA Plan and similar reports compiled by the Graduate School, the Theological School, the University Staff and Administration, the University Library and one plan dealing with student life will be combined to create a University-wide "action plan." The University Strategic Plan is expected to include the major recommendations for the future of the University.

Cucchi said that forming the University plan is expected to lead to a "capital campaign" to raise funds for the programs, changes, renovations, adjustments and other recommendations set forth in the report. In response to the concern that the CLA is a single component of several involved in the strategic planning effort and that, consequently, some of its major recommendations may be passed over, Cucchi replied, "There are many parts of the plan that are really out of our [the CLA's] control... We can't make them happen... [but] I would fight hard to make sure that they are."

The recommendations made in the Strategic Plan are split into five broad categories: Students, Faculty, Program, Technology and Facilities. By continuing and expanding the College's use of experiential learning, technology, interdisciplinary programs and

student-faculty relationships, which the report designates the CLA's major strengths, the proposed changes are expected to improve the University's position in a highly-competitive secondary education market. The improvement is expected to result in higher numbers of applicants and matriculated students, as well as increased name-

does tuition buy? It buys faculty, the facilities.... [The CLA] is not a profit-making venture."

The report also treated the status and compensation of faculty. It recommended that the number of full-time, tenure-track College faculty be increased, especially since the number of tenure-track positions has declined steadily in recent years. Cucchi expressed concern that tenure-track positions left vacant by professors who leave or retire have been increasingly filled by adjunct professors. "If you have a part-time faculty member, they're not as available to students as much," he said. The plan also recommends that faculty on leave-of-absence or on sabbatical temporarily be replaced with short-term, full-time faculty to maintain maximum contact with students. "Even one-year appointments, if they're here all the time... dedicate all their energy [to Drew]," Cucchi said.

Additionally, although the CLA currently reflects a student-faculty ratio of 12:1, on the level with peer institutions, the College has, on average, fewer full-time, tenure-track faculty. This student-faculty statistic currently includes adjuncts and non-tenure-track faculty and staff, including athletic coaches. Salmore mentioned the importance of finding a consistent way of calculating the student-faculty ratio, which at various times in the past has even included faculty from international programs. "We would count everything taught for credit on campus," Cucchi said. "That's the logic of counting coaches, for instance," Salmore added.

Another goal of the plan is to increase the level of faculty compensation and resources devoted to faculty research, including funding and sabbatical or leave-of-absence time. The Task Force on Faculty Issues, the last of five task forces contributing to the CLA Plan, will present its report to the Dean's Council during spring semester.

Experiential learning is another central issue in the Strategic Plan. Several CLA programs, like the Semester on the United Nations and the RISE Program for the Natural Sciences integrate the

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KARAN SHAPIRO

Cucchi plans for the CLA's future.

recognition in the national college market. The report also stresses the importance of maintaining and improving the standard of education offered by the CLA.

The report states that one of the CLA's goals over the next few years is to increase the undergraduate student body by between 75 and 160 students, from the approximately 1300 full-time students currently enrolled to between 1375 to 1460. This increase is not expected to strain the existing University infrastructure. In addition, the College would like to increase the median SAT scores of entering students to 1200 while maintaining the ethnic and racial diversity of incoming first-year student classes.

However, the report does mention that the College "will consider a temporary modest decrease in SAT scores only under the most dire budgetary circumstances."

According to Cucchi, the College "is much too reliant on financial aid.... There's a serious financial imbalance." Associate Dean of the CLA Barbara Salmore agreed. "The proportion of tuition we plow back into financial aid is a good 10 percent higher than our peer schools," she said. "And what

### Campus covered in condoms



KARAN SHAPIRO

In recognition of National Condom Week, Peer Sex Health Educators distributed pamphlets and condoms free of charge. Tee shirts are also on sale to benefit the Names Project AIDS Memorial Quilt.

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## NEWSBRIEFS



### Correction

Last week's article "Students protest housing policies" stated that the court dismissed the case because the plaintiff could not afford legal fees. However, court documents show that the case was dismissed "on the merits of the case" according to the judge presiding over the case.

Further, *The Acorn* incorrectly reported that Vice President for Administration and University Relations Peggi Howard stated the Joint Affirmative Action Committee found no wrongdoing on her part; the matter is still under investigation.

—The Acorn News Service

### Author to speak

Students are invited to attend a talk by author Jane Bernstein, a professor of English at Carnegie Mellon University, on the research involved in writing about the murder of her sister.

Sponsored by the English Department, "Investigating My Sister's Murder" will be held Feb. 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the BC Chapel.

—The Acorn News Service

### New York Museum trip

The Russian Club is sponsoring a trip to the Jewish Museum in New York City Sunday. The current exhibit, "Jewish Life in Tsarist Russia: A World Rediscovered," runs through March 5.

Interested students should contact Stacy Metka at x4553.

—The Acorn News Service

### Visiting scholar

Co-sponsored by the National Phi Beta Kappa office and the Classics Department, Professor Michael Putnam, from Brown University, will give a lecture entitled "Virgil and History" Monday, Feb. 20 at 7:30 p.m. in LC-28.

Students are invited to attend; questions should be directed to the Classics Department at x3275.

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### Have fun conversing

Spend an hour a week talking with a student whose first language is something other than English.

Students interested in becoming conversational partners should contact Wendy Carl at x4055.

Sponsored by ESOL.

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## NEWS

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# Academic Technology pursues upgrades

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Staff Writer

In the realm of computer technology, three years is a decade. The pace is so frantic that each development has the potential to drastically alter industry standards. In this environment, Drew is in a constant battle to maintain its technological advantages in the field of academic computing.

In the past three years, to its credit, Drew has undertaken the immense task of efficiently connecting the students and faculty to the vast amounts of information available on the Internet. The Academic Technology team was able to secure a contract with Global Enterprise Services (GES) which, in turn, was able to provide Internet services and equipment to the school end, as an added bonus, helped Drew acquire a 30-month declining balance grant from the National Science Foundation. With this initial groundwork in place, Drew has been able to build its telecommunications department into an essential part of the school's infrastructure.

Currently, each student and faculty member has access to a DEC server on-campus and there is a modem pool consisting of two 9.6 Kb modems and approximately 30 2.4 Kb modems for off-campus access. The mainframe computer itself was just upgraded this past year; moving the system from the out-moded and tediously slow Gamma to the current, more efficient Daniel. With this amount of technology and the fulfillment of last year's promises of further upgrades, it would seem that the Drew system was at least close to the cutting edge of this field.

However, this is not necessarily the case. Even though Drew's up-

grade to a better mainframe was successful, problems with Drew's Internet connection began to plague the campus. E-mail has been delayed for extended periods of time and, on at least two occasions, the connection to the Internet was completely interrupted. This prompted several disgruntled postings on the "News" section of the Campus-Wide Information System (CWIS). According to Systems Manager/Systems Coordinator Scott Wood, the delay was caused when GES made some "internal decisions" to put Drew (and several other clients) on a different JVNC.net system. Under the previous system, each client had a separate connection line. By switching Drew to a frame relay set-up, several clients could be on the same line, thereby cutting costs in half. This was all very good in theory but, according to Wood, the company found that they had rushed into Bell Atlantic technology too soon. After the system failed for the second time, the Drew team met with the president of the organization to air their grievances. They were assured the situation would be remedied.

In an interview, Wood and Director of Technology Systems William Beyer both commented that Drew did not find JVNC.net services were lacking. In a letter posted in response to a student complaint, however, Wood stated, "If they [JVNC.net] wish to have any chance to keep our business, they will have to improve their level of service quickly and dramatically."

On-campus progress has also been hindered. Under the current setup, downloading large files can be sluggish and the system is limited to text-only files. But, according to Wood and Beyer, these in-

conveniences are minor and are a small sacrifice. Late last week, Assistant Vice President for University Technology Alan Candiotti received the blueprints for the next significant stage in upgrading the infrastructure of the system. According to Director of Academic Technology Neil Clarke, the installation of a Local Area Network (LAN) would increase the amount of user access to the mainframe computer. Unlike the current system, where the user works at a "dummy terminal" and cannot access any of the programs on the mainframe, a LAN operates like an additional drive and enables users to access software for their PC stored on the mainframe, navigate the Internet and check E-mail without going through the tedious "log-in" process.

According to the department of

Academic Technology, the possibilities are endless with a LAN. But, like all major undertakings, setting up an all-campus network requires funding. There is already a test network in place connecting the math, computer science, chemistry, biology and physics offices and the Library. Since a LAN is not included in any of the current budgets, the funds would have to be raised through donations and grants. Beyer says that the process would happen in stages over the course of two or three years. Plans would include the laying of fiber optic cables throughout campus, the selection and purchase both of LAN-oriented hardware (a card to connect the computer to the LAN) and software and the upgrading of the older computers on campus to ones that can support a LAN connection.

## Gould set to depart

Erik Slagle  
Sports Co-Editor

The Drew Community received a surprise last December when Vice President of Academic Affairs Eric Gould announced his resignation, effective the end of this semester.

The resignation will mark the end of a three-year term for Drew's first—and only—Vice President of Academic Affairs.

Gould will be taking a year off to work toward fulfilling two or three book contracts, then he will return to teach at the University of Denver where he served as Vice Provost and Director of Graduate Studies before coming to Drew.

"I'm not absolutely sure [Drew] needs a Vice President at this point," Gould commented. "I think this is a very good school

Director of the University Library all report to Gould.

"It's been an excellent experience for three years," Gould, who in 20 years of higher education has taken only one vacation, a 10 week sabbatical, said.

"We've taken real steps forward. President Kean has brought a great deal of visibility to the University. [It's also] much better managed," Gould said.

Still, there were aspects of Drew Gould cited as challenges facing the University for the years to come.

"[Drew] doesn't have the reputation it deserves. We need an increased number of applicants, which goes along with greater national name recognition."

Gould specifically mentioned "increasing Drew's campaign in the West [and Midwest]" mentioning the noticeable lack of quality liberal arts colleges in those regions.

He went on to discuss the need to "further rationalize the relationship between the three schools," citing that they are "three very different, independent entities."

Gould also mentioned the need to "improve the qualities of student life" and said he wished "it would have been possible to see a more focused mission and increased resources" for the University.

Kean described Gould as a man who "asks the why's" during the decision-making process. According to the President, Gould has been involved in all major academic decisions over the last three years, with the exception of the 4-4 plan.

"I'll miss him personally," Kean said. "He had a good sense of humor and brought all sorts of new ideas to campus."

"He was extraordinarily bright and experienced," Kean continued. "[During Gould's tenure] we've raised our standards. He's made a tremendous contribution that will carry into the next century."

"It's been a very nice challenge," Gould said about his job. "This is a very nice community. I'll miss the students and faculty. I really enjoyed the class I taught [and] it's been fun working with [Vice President for Finance and Business Affairs] Mike McKinish and [Vice President for University Relations] Peggi Howard."

[but] it needs to think very carefully about how it is configured."

University President Tom Kean said there is no rush to fill Gould's position, a position created only three years ago.

He said the need for a Vice President "can be reevaluated" and that the University Senate will "talk next year when the Strategic Planning is complete."

Strategic Planning has been Gould's most prominent task as of late. Gould said, "I think we've completed [it]."

In addition to Strategic Planning, as Vice President Gould centralized the academic management of the three schools and the library.

The Deans of the College of Liberal Arts, the Graduate School, the Theological School and the



Gould leaves after three years.

# Backpack fiasco ignites campus

John Therkelsen  
Assistant News Editor

Monday, Feb. 13, daka employees began enforcing an old University policy banning backpacks and other bags from the upper level of the Commons. Students reacted quickly and, using the campus Voice Mail system, organized a protest the next day. Since then, various off-

interview. Alleyne averted a potential crisis, telling Joseph to allow students to take their bags upstairs after having their names recorded.

Requiring students to leave bags on the concourse level of the Commons is "not a daka policy," Alleyne stated. The University made the regulations when another food service was on campus and enforced

with back to their room and leaves it on their dresser," said Clark.

"[Daka] realized that students had been stealing quite a bit," Clark said. "On Sunday, there were two completely unrelated incidents. One girl was dumping salad into plastic bags in her duffel bag," he stated. Alleyne agreed that "the [reason for the ban] is people were taking food in Ziplock bags and Tupperware containers."

Both students and administrators have offered solutions to the crisis. "If it's that big of a problem with people taking their disgusting food, then they should have someone checking my bag, like at the library," Smith said.

Joseph responded to this concern, saying that examining bags on exit would create gridlock similar to going upstairs "during a heavy lunch hour."

Another plan features installing lockers in the lower level of the Commons. However, "if they are an outrageous amount of money, we might have to look at plan B," Alleyne said. "[Alleyne and I] came to the agreement that if the locker idea doesn't pan out, to allow the backpacks up, and the students would be subject to a search," Clark stated. "And if you got caught stealing something, you would work for daka. That would be the penalty," he said.

According to Clark, students are allowed to bring their bags upstairs but daka employees have the right to search any bag upon exit.

Clark said he expects the policy to remain in place until a better solution is found. "It's pretty cut and dry," he said. "I don't think we're going to have any problems in the future."

"I don't see how daka can be held liable if someone takes a sand-



Senior Andrew Gerber loses his way in a sea of backpacks.

cials including Food Services Manager Rick Joseph, Dean of Student Life Denise Alleyne and SGA President Jason Clark have devoted their resources to the problem, attempting to bring the campus-wide tensions to resolution.

Senior Megan Smith sent out the original Voice Mail message denouncing the new policy. In the message, she urged students to take their bags to the Commons' upper level, in spite of the ban. "[My bag] is not safe downstairs.... There's no way I'm going to be stupid enough to leave my backpack unattended; my books cost \$250," she said in an

them more strictly in former years, she said.

Joseph cited two reasons why daka started enforcing the policy again. "Food is going out [in backpacks], and we are not sure if people are handling it correctly," he said. "I hope someone understands that we could be held liable for thousands of dollars if someone doesn't handle the food correctly and gets sick."

Another reason for enforcing the policy was being taken out at our [daka's] cost," Joseph said.

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## Spring 1995 Group Offerings Counseling and Psychological Services

This spring semester, Counseling and Psychological Services is offering several groups. Each group is designed to address specific concerns of the student population. Please check the group(s) that you would like to join and also specify the meeting time(s) convenient for you. Return the form below to the Counseling Center, Sycamore Cottage, or call x3398 for further information.

**COPE: Changing Obsessive-Compulsive Patterns of Eating** is a support group for students who are concerned about chronic dieting, bingeing, purging, and excessive overeating. If you are interested in COPE, please specify the area of concern: Obesity, Anorexia, or Bulimia.

**SOS: Study Organizing Strategies** is for students who have academically related difficulties such as test anxiety, procrastination, poor study habits, and time management.

**SIT: Stress Innoculation Training** is a cumulative, time limited program designed to help you prevent distress before it occurs.

**PEP: (Personal Empowerment Program):** Learn how to listen effectively, speak powerfully, deal with difficult people, and get what you want... from your relationship, your parents, your supervisor, your professors, and/or your peers (just to mention a few). Join the PEP rally!

**Twelve-Step Support Group:** A group inviting individuals to discuss issues related to the recovery process in addictions. Topics to be discussed are the steps to recovery, obstacles to recovery, and issues specific to group members.

For information on **Adult Children of Alcoholics** and A.A., contact Jack Kurzwski, x3396 or x3398

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## SGA news notes

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The following are highlights from the SGA meeting held Feb. 12, 1995:

—Sophomore Cathy Cerbo was chosen to replace junior Jessica Fulginiti, currently on the Washington, D.C. semester, as Speakers Chair.

—Student representative to the Off-Campus Programs Transitions Team Marc Fungard, a sophomore, announced that Drew International Seminars during 1995-96 will be offered in Ghana, Spain, France, Mexico, Russia, India and Thailand. He spoke about the restructuring of the London Semester and suggested that students who had planned to go to Chile in fall 1995 or London in spring 1996 consult the Off-Campus Programs Office for aid and alternatives.

—Three members from the University Relations Committee, part of Madison's Downtown Development Commission, asked for increased communication between the University and Madison communities.

—15 students nominated to sit on the newly-formed Committee on Student Life were collectively confirmed. SGA President Jason Clark, a junior, reported that the Committees discussed buying University vans, uses for the non-alcoholic side of the Pub and the possibility of extending the hours of the snack bar.

—Student representative to the Dean's Council Patrick Aylward, a sophomore, spoke about the College of Liberal Arts Strategic Plan, which was passed by the faculty

Feb. 3, and subsequently submitted to the Board of Trustees. The plan outlines recommendations for the future operation of the College.

—After a presentation by University Senator Josh Elboim, a junior, the Senate discussed the difficulty of recycling in Foster, Hurst and McClintock Halls and ended with a resolution to inquire into the recycling practices of Facilities Resource Management (FRM).

—Chair of the Technology Committee and Riker Hall senator Jason Varsoko, a senior, mentioned that demonstrations of a campus-wide Local Area Network (LAN) were being given by Director of Academic Computing Neil Clarke.

—The Residence Life Committee, represented by juniors Dana Spinicola and Adam Marmelstein, reported that tickets for the junior-senior semi-formal will go on sale soon and are expected to cost between \$35 and \$40.

—First-year Senator Zach Rothschild was appointed interim Chair of the Diversity Committee.

—The Senate discussed the rumored dissolution of the University Programming Board, the Residence Hall Association and other CLA bodies in connection with a possible redistribution of student activities funds.

—The Senate also discussed the possible appointment of a Publicity Chair.

—Clark announced Director of News Services Linda Lagle's resignation.



## LEAD EDITORIAL

## Sex Ed-itorial

This week is National Condom Week. It is a national effort to alert Americans of all ages of the dangers of unprotected sexual intercourse. Health Services and the Peer Sex Health Educators have been working to inform students about safer sexual practices and to promote condom use, both to prevent unwanted pregnancies and to prevent the spread of STDs and the HIV virus. Hopefully this week has brought a lot of serious issues to the front of people's minds.

However, these issues will not disappear at the end of this week when the lighted condom lamp is taken away from the Commons demonstration table. Health Services and the Peer Sex Health Educators will continue to present programs and discuss taboo topics in order to keep these issues from fading from our minds. Honestly, how many of us, as first-year students, were aware of the full impact of sexual activity both in its more obvious consequences (pregnancy) to the less-acknowledged ones, such as the transmission of STDs? The Peer Sex Health Educators are constantly fighting an uphill battle against the "it can't happen to me" attitude.

The Peer Sex Health Educators work in close contact with Health Services. They have put a great deal of time and effort into producing several different types of programs designed to further inform our campus about a number of important sexual issues. The first is safer sex, through the "Condom Sense" program, which relates basic reasons why a condom should be used and how to broach the subject with a partner. In addition, they coordinate programs on sexuality, some of which deal with taboo topics such as "outercourse." Outercourse includes all of the intimate activities between two consenting adults that do not actually include penetration. This is an important issue; in this age of STDs, these intimate options provide safer alternatives to actual intercourse, while still offering a great deal of mutual satisfaction. Another topic that the educators discuss is sexual assault and harassment. Programs include a movie/discussion program that offers participants information and tactics to avoid situations that might be dangerous, and suggests how to survive those situations. In addition to face-to-face programs, the Peer Educators are branching out into other methods of informing the community. Recently, they have set up a sexual health line (x4200) that answers questions about HIV/AIDS, and in the future will hopefully expand in scope.

The Peer Educators also work in close cooperation with RAs who can request specific programs for selected needs. The RA of Haselton Third requested a program geared towards a more mature audience of Juniors and Seniors. This program focused on the role of miscommunication in the hard-to-define cases of sexual assault/harassment. Programs of this nature help all students understand the danger and damage that seemingly innocent or "harmless" behavior can cause.

As their mission statement says, "Peer Educators is a student run group dedicated to providing up-to-date, non-judgemental sexual health education and referral to the members of the Drew/Madison community. We strive to combat ignorance and encourage awareness providing education on safer sexuality and the promotion of general sexual health. Our programs provide a safe environment for discussion and the open exchange of information, ideas and opinions."

They are doing a terrific job and *The Acorn* staff hopes that they will continue to keep the campus informed.



## READER'S FORUM

## Acorn column went too far in attacking SGA/UPB letter issue

To the Editor:

Frank Forte, look what you made me do! I promised myself that I'd never respond to another article again, but what the hell! As "Keeper of the Social Fabric" (Juliette Gaffney handed me the title while she's away), I feel compelled to defend another student's honor while he is away. In this article, I plan to bring out certain points in your article which were not necessarily true. Before we begin, let me clearly state that this article *does not focus on the Valentino E-Mail*, SGA, or the UPB et al. However, it DOES question the concepts and reasoning behind Frank Forte's article in the February 10 edition of *The Acorn*.

First, contrary to Forte's belief, this debate brought together students unlike any other issue (other than the meal plan). Whether or not the reason is justified is a moot point, and not the focus of this article. The fact is that even the notion of a cut to the UPB, RHA, and Living Council's budget almost caused an outpouring of E-mail to Mike McKitish from angered students. Second, what happened earlier this year with Pat Aylward is not at issue. Pat Aylward (our "admitted" student representative) acted in accordance with the policies set by Dean's Council. This is also a moot point. Why did you make reference to it in your article? If it was supposed to be used as an example, it was not an accurate or factual one.

Third, I sincerely doubt that Valentino was trying to play the hero. Perhaps reading the newspaper you write for would have cleared up any misconceptions you had. Although I haven't known Al a long time, I do know that he cares a great deal about the student body on this campus. Few have his commitment to the students, and that is the greatest injustice of your article. To many people, he is an acknowledged student leader on this campus. Obviously, he felt as if no one was going to know until the "plans" were finalized (although there were no plans to finalize) and that there would be no "forum for discussion." (As it turns out, a "forum" would not have been needed.) At this point in the article, I want to let everyone know that Matt Pacello's only "crime" was questioning how effectively the money social programs receives is being used. He had no plans to try and use any influence of any kind to cut the budget. I think he wanted to make sure that every dollar benefits every student. Does this sound like a "scheming politician" to you? I support him in that decision and quite frankly, so should every person on this campus. We should be glad that someone went beyond of the description of their official duty (as every SGA senator does) and is trying to make sure that everyone gets to enjoy the programming that the social clubs/organizations put forth. If there is a better way to do something, then you do it. There's nothing wrong with striving for efficiency.

About your comments, Frank. The fact that "UPB does some wonderful things on this campus" is not new (that statement was a moot point as well). Still, I wonder why

you think the University has a "duty" to provide anyone with a social life? The university provides students with options, not mandates. Choices, not requirements regarding their social life. As a UPB board member, I can't say that I have sat in room, verifying the attendees for the NJ Nets game, filled with tears because I had hoped your name would be on the list. If you are too busy with school projects, friends, etc., good for you. But you are missing some great events. I'm not trying to be mean or berate you (hopefully, you know that you're invited to attend any public event on this campus you choose), yet you don't seem to realize that the University provides organization like the UPB, RHA, and the Living Councils with money, but students come up with the ideas. Most of the ideas for events come from the student body anyway (I would have never thought of providing a trip to Franklin Mills).

For every event, there are many people worrying about the turnout, whether or not people are having a good time. Is there enough soda? How the room temperature? Any complaints, and other things associated with an event. The people involved take this job voluntarily and with pride. How dare you even remotely suggest that the social life on this campus is a "duty" of the University. Chances are, one of those friends you mentioned has probably given me ideas and suggestions.

I guess I'm asking that you not cast stones from glass houses because the other person may have stones to throw at your glass house too (love this phrase). If you were more involved on this campus, it would be a different story. Anyone can write an article for *The Acorn*, but it takes true leadership to try and change things and provide options for those who wish to partake of those options. Al's job as the UPB Publicity Chair was not an issue and was a moot point also (notice the number of times I have had to use "moot point"). I am forced to wonder if you had the same amount of experience that Al has in dealing with the various organizations on this campus, what would you have done? I think Bill Addis said it best when responding to one of your articles from last semester: "What was the point [of your article]? I'm sure at some point you planned to make one." I can only ask this question again and hope that if you respond, the logic and reasoning behind the writing will be more coherent.

Finally, the writer of the "The Lima Bean," Michael Barret Jones, deserves a Lima Bean award for the clear, concise and factual article he wrote. It was so well written that I wasn't sure it was an Op/Ed piece. He verified his sources, conducted interviews, and is now using the Lima Bean in an attempt to discover the problem with student life on this campus and find solutions. That, by the way, is the sign of a leader. Someone who turns something negative into something positive. I encourage all to read the Lima Bean and learn a little more about the campus around you.

Rodney L. Cornelius  
First-Year Student

## National Condom Week display sends wrong message

To the Editor:

I'm writing to express my concern about the National Condom Week promotion that's been going on all week in the Commons lobby, specifically the very prominently displayed plastic erect penises and the "fun" being had with them by passing students coming or going to eat upstairs every day.

Are those who devised this approach to marketing "safer sex" aware that they are seriously offending many on this campus who deeply believe (but are afraid to speak up) that sex should be thought of as more than a recreational

sport? Are they aware that there is a substantial segment of our community who thinks sexuality is a sacred thing and that it should be approached with dignity and a sense of reverence?

Maybe more to the point, I quote Suzanne Fields from the *Los Angeles Times* of three weeks ago: "We've asked the wrong questions. We ask 'Why not use a condom?' when we ought to be asking, 'Why are you bestowing this gift of intimacy on this person?'"

Buzz McLaughlin  
Professor of Theatre Arts

## Valentino clarifies last week's letter about programming

I want to send one last message to you all; plainly stated, what has been transpiring here and has been told to me by those mentioned in last week's letter to the editor was not something that was common knowledge to all of SGA, not even the President of the SGA; however the comments that were made were told to me directly by those senators mentioned and embraced in truths. The majority of the senators were unaware of the ideas that were brewing amongst them. President Jason Clark has assured me that Mr. Mike McKitish has nothing planned in the future to harm UPB

or other programming here at Drew, and I trust Jason fully on this subject. I want to thank Mr. McKitish for not taking away something that this school is in great need of—programming. I hope you all understand why I did what I did and the circumstances and time limitations I was under, when I first took the actions I did. I did not want any harm to come to the students of this university, and I would not let an elite number of senators take anything away from you as a whole. Thank you, and forgive me for my efforts.

Al Valentino III  
Junior

## The Real World

## Drew wrongly ignores America's most important holidays

John Siminoff  
Opinions Editor

George Washington played a leading role in the creation of this country. Although he was aided by some of the most brilliant men in the history of the modern world, without his leadership America would not exist in its current incarnation. Abraham Lincoln guided this country through its single most divisive time, but—despite these tremendous efforts—was assassinated. Franklin D. Roosevelt's Lend-Lease policy is one of the main reasons that Britain was able to withstand the onslaught of Nazi Germany before America's full entrance into World War II. Without Britain, World War II might not have ended in an Allied

victory. John F. Kennedy avoided nuclear confrontation with the U.S.S.R. over Cuban missile sites in one of the most tense and dramatic showdowns in human history. Because of a program initiated by Kennedy, the United States placed a man on the moon, the first time any human being had set foot on extraterrestrial ground. George Bush put together a coalition that included most nations in the industrialized world and restored Kuwait's independence from Iraq in Operation Desert Storm. So what is the point of this history lesson? It has nothing to do with their politics of individual leaders. It is to show how these men dramatically affected world history. Yet, here at Drew, we pause not a moment to honor their contribution on President's Day. There will be no celebration for the men who have meant so much

to our society and the world in general.

Nor did we have any type of celebration for Veteran's Day. On a day we honor all of the millions of Americans who have fought in our wars we did nothing. Americans who fought and died in the fields of France in not one but two World Wars, the mountains of Korea, and the river deltas of Vietnam were ignored. The Veterans and Presidents of this nation deserve, but will not receive at Drew, at least one day apiece to reflect back upon the sacrifices and affects they have had upon us.

Yet classes are cancelled for Multi-Cultural Awareness Day. Indeed, many people were required by professors to attend presentations on that day, while there is not even an attempt to respect the two holidays I mentioned. My question

is very simple: is Drew trying to imply that Multi-Cultural Awareness Day celebrations are more important and more worthy of our time than the combined contributions of every single President this nation has had, or the total sacrifice in life that every soldier has made in all the wars this nation has fought?

I certainly hope not. I would also like to make clear that this is not an insult to or an attempt to belittle ethnic minorities, nor an insult to the celebration of diverse backgrounds and cultures. I am simply pointing out that our campus being shut down in order to have an entire day of programs to which professors regularly require attendance, and letting President's Day and Veteran's Day slide past without so much as a voice-mail message, is unbelievable and inexcusable. For

the Presidents of our nation and the thousands of American soldiers who have died for our freedom to be ignored, while "multi-culturalism" is honored so lavishly is an insult to the flag beneath which our soldiers died and our leaders swore to honor and protect.

I have no problem or protest against multi-culturalism or Multi-Cultural Awareness Day, so long as the national holidays that are truly important are honored in similar, appropriate ways. I would urge the University to take time on February 20 to sit down and remember the presidents of our nation. Next Veteran's Day do the same. When the next Multi-Cultural Awareness Day comes around and every door is covered with advertisements and E-mail is teeming with messages, just remember what we have apparently forgotten.

## An examination of Presidential hopefuls for 1996

Frank Forte  
Staff Writer

The first Presidential primaries will be held this time next year. It will be interesting to watch each party define itself. As college students, we are in a unique position to watch the movement of the country we will inherit and to participate in its history.

The Republicans are coming

off a massive victory in Congress and are ready to make a run for the Presidency. The most mentioned candidate is Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole. He could easily win the nomination and probably the Presidency if he provides good, strong and effective leadership in the next year. Dole, a moderate Republican, is a veteran of World War II and currently represents Kansas.

Another potential candidate is conservative Texas Senator Phil Gramm, who finished ahead of Dole in a straw poll done in Arizona last month. Former Tennessee Governor Lamar Alexander is also a contender. Alexander's area of expertise is education, especially its reform and its return to the local level of control. He is champion of states' rights and has a welfare reform plan based

on state autonomy. California Governor Pete Wilson could also be a candidate. If he successfully balances the state budget and deals with immigration problems, he could be an attractive choice, especially from a state with so many electoral votes. Other hopefuls include liberal Pennsylvania Senator Arlen Specter, conservative pro-family Representative Bob Dornan of California,

and Indiana Senator Richard Lugar.

On the Democratic side, there is a debate among some Democrats about what to do with the man who is now in the Oval Office. Bill Clinton was not their first choice to run in 1992 and many party members say that his ineffective and corrupt leadership was a major reason for the Republican victory in November.

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## READER'S FORUM

## Good intentions unfairly exploited by Valentino letter

To the Editor:

I am writing to correct some misleading and untrue statements made in Alfred Valentino III's letter to the editors (February 10, 1995). At the end of last semester, I was elected vice-chair of the Extra Classroom Activities Board and I also serve as chair of an SGA committee. Mr. Valentino inaccurately labeled me a senator.

On Sunday, February 5, I responded to the letter that Mr. Valentino sent by way of electronic mail to over three hundred people on campus regarding Mike McKitish and "the plan" to dissolve UPB. As Mr. Valentino and I were friends, I thought it would do some good to ease his concerns by telling him what I knew. In my response, I stated that I knew of "the plan" about which he wrote, and I didn't think it was a terrible one. When I wrote this, I meant to say that I knew of the idea, because no sort of plan had been formulated. I often hear students complain about where their money is spent, so I am always open to new ideas about how things should be changed. One of these ideas was to require four senators from SGA to also sit on UPB. To me, this sounded like a productive way of getting these two groups to better communicate.

On Monday, February 6, I wrote Mr. Valentino another letter after I had spoken with Dean Alleyne about the new Quality of Life committee that had been formed at the request of President Kean. She told me that at no time had Mr. McKitish told her to recon-

sider funding or to cut her budget. I reassured Mr. Valentino that nothing was in action and, as often is the case when their own funds are at stake, the students were only looking at ways to make improvements. I stated that I was surprised that ECAB, SGA, and UPB all came out of the Student Activities Office considering how little they communicate with each other.

In my second letter, I told Mr. Valentino that I knew who his source was. I knew that he had heard some of these ideas when University Senator Matthew Pacello and some other friends were visiting me over January term. Mr. Valentino and Mr. Pacello discussed how groups should be reconstructed, not how they should be dissolved. At that time, Mr. Valentino did not get defensive about any of the ideas that were being discussed.

Simply from discussing the issue with its members, I am certain that the Cabinet was by no means considering a plan to dissolve programming on campus. I understand that I am in the minority in believing that SGA does a decent job at representing the concerns of students. I would never have written a letter discrediting the Cabinet or the Senate like Mr. Valentino implies. If I am going to be accused of believing that change or self-evaluation is necessary, so be it. As a Resident Assistant, I go through a process of evaluation after every floor program I complete, as well as a process where I am evaluated by my residents, my resident director, and myself. Work study students are evaluated every two weeks

when they complete a time sheet. Why aren't other groups on campus who are spending our student life dollars evaluated?

That is a question that I hope the Quality of Life committee will answer. It is an interesting topic for discussion, and one I often like to bring up as a student who is concerned about other students and where our money goes. I talk about it among friends and I don't think there is a problem doing so, as long as the people I am talking to, as well as the people who "overhear" my conversations, understand that my discussion, or anyone else's, will most likely never take any action.

As for Mr. Valentino, I think it is important to note a few facts. First, when he was on campus this past weekend, he avoided facing me for as long as he possibly could which shows me that he thought he did something wrong. Second, he has quite a history with the SGA which involves prior personal attacks. If any first-year students are reading this, please investigate Mr. Valentino's history, and my own if you wish, before you decide what to believe. The next time Mr. Valentino uncovers a supposed conspiracy that he feels comparable to Watergate, I hope he follows in the footsteps of Woodward and Bernstein and gathers some substantial evidence before he "breaks the story."

Abigail Berkeley Gemme  
Junior

Instead of blindly blaming the administration, Darren should look around and think about what is going on. True, there are RAs who take their position too far and become excessively strict. However, this is their choice. They are far from being "well-trained German Shepherds." If they feel that they are not looked up to or respected, that is their choice for

## DeMarco article unfair to Resident Assistants

To the Editor:

I was leafing through the Acorn at dinner on Saturday and was just about to skip over the opinions sections when I saw the headline to Darren DeMarco's article "Drew resident advisors need change of attitude". Agreeing with this sentiment, I began to read what Darren had to say. Unfortunately, though I agreed with some of the ideas that Darren expressed, I found that most of his arguments did not appeal to me either personally nor logically.

My first point of disagreement lies in Darren's assertion that RAs are forced by the administration to be strict disciplinarians and have to be "quick and quiet" to get away with "being human". Again, I agree with Darren's sentiment. As an RA, I am often appalled by my peers' attitude towards their residents. Many RAs do adopt the attitude of a warden and become very authoritarian in their position. However, Darren could not be further from the truth in asserting that the administration is responsible for this attitude. The only responsibility that anyone on the administrative level has is in the fact that they hired the RAs who eventually develop this type of attitude. I have never been a "super sleuth awaiting a chance to nab anyone breaking... rules", and I am far from quiet about it. I have never been made to feel in any way that my job is in jeopardy because of my RA philosophy. Much to the contrary, I have been reinforced by students and administrators alike for my performance.

Instead of blindly blaming the administration, Darren should look around and think about what is going on. True, there are RAs who take their position too far and become excessively strict. However, this is their choice. They are far from being "well-trained German Shepherds." If they feel that they are not looked up to or respected, that is their choice for

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## America abandons idea of personal responsibility

Joe Houde  
Staff Writer

Cognitive dissonance is a psychological phenomenon where a person's beliefs contradict each other or contradict reality. One will then override the other: belief over belief, reality over belief, or belief over reality. For example, Scott likes butterscotch candies. However, butterscotch candies make Scott sick. Soon, Scott will dislike butterscotch candies because of the contradiction between his reality and his beliefs. The reason I introduce this concept is to discuss responsibility, and how people are throwing it away at a frightening rate. As far as I can see, people avoid responsibility because of cognitive dissonance.

Take, for example, your average college student. She thinks of herself as a friendly person, concerned about others. On a Friday night, she gets drunk and starts screaming at her roommate about the condition of their room. Now, the room has always been a problem. It did not just become so because of the alcohol. However, the next morning she apologizes to her roommate, saying that she was drunk and that there is no problem. She blames the alcohol for the altercation because she does not want to think of herself as an unfriendly person. This keeps her belief intact and allows her to act as she wants while she drinks. The unfortunate fact is that she does not

become some Ms. Hyde when she drinks—she just loses some inhibitions. Her desires and actions are still her own, not some spirit-in-a-bottle's.

This woman avoids the responsibility of her actions by blaming them on alcohol. It's a common practice. Arguing is perhaps the least serious of actions done under the influence of a drug. Sex, violence and other mischief also are pawned off on alcohol.

Another hypothetical case that illustrates the gap between action and responsibility is that of the RA and the resident. In my two years as a Resident Assistant, I often encountered situations where students broke

blamed the officer for the transgression, rather than accepting the responsibility themselves. Both cases are an issue of cognitive dissonance, where the belief "I am a good person" conflicts with the fact "I am being punished." The person blames the official who discovered them breaking a policy and avoids the responsibility, but not the punishment.

These few examples reflect larger national issues. The growing number of "1-800-SUETHEM" numbers is a direct result of a diminishing number of people accepting responsibility. An accident occurs and someone is hurt. The person who is hurt

The ultimate in responsibility avoidance is what we, as citizens, have done to our government. Our government is a behemoth because people are trying to avoid responsibility, or at least trying to shelter themselves from it. Recently a law was passed to put safety locks on lighters so they cannot accidentally be used to start fires. Conservatives try to keep drugs out of people's lives while liberals try to keep guns out of people's hands. Both guns and drugs need a lot of personal responsibility to be used properly. The government, by our insistence, is relieving us of that responsibility. Over zealous safety measures and out-

pects of their behavior they would rather not acknowledge. Self-knowledge comes at a price—but for the improvement of the world, it's too dearly bought.

As an addendum, I would like to point out something positive that happened after I wrote this article. Daka instituted a new policy regarding knapsacks in the Commons. This policy would prohibit backpacks from being brought into the main area of the commons, forcing anyone who brings a backpack to a meal to leave it in the Commons Concourse. The reasoning behind this, as far as I understand, is to prevent theft of Daka utensils and flatware. Many students dislike this new policy, for several reasons: The Commons Concourse is not a secure place to store a bag. Several have been stolen in the past semester. Also, people often bring their satchels up for the purpose of studying. Some of these students planned a event of civil disobedience. Although I do not know how it went, I congratulate them. Civil disobedience is a great example of taking responsibility. The rule is broken because it is disagreed with, and the punishment is accepted willingly. This is done specifically to protest a rule. In accepting the punishment, the disobedient one states their contempt for the rule, and a punishment will not deter them from breaking it. Again, I congratulate the participants in the "Backpack Revolt" and hope all went well.

right prohibitions only encourage these trends. And still, people cry out for more. Because people do not agree with their self image, they are out to change the world.

We have created many agents in society: institutions and social conventions that undermine responsibility. The main issue when responsibility is avoided is that the person sees an advantage in it. Whether this advantage is on the monetary or psychological level is irrelevant. When people start accepting responsibility, they must come to terms with as-

## No escape from recruits

John Hwang  
Assistant News Editor

How many first-year students got to choose their roommates? Most don't have that option—and that's not really a big problem. How many non-athlete, first-year students have roommates who are athletes? For those who do, again, it's usually not that big a deal. Now, out of these non-athletes, how many had to put up with a recruit one weekend? PROBLEM.

Most athletes don't have a choice whether or not they have to put up with a prospective student for a night. This is a bit unfair, but at least they understand before they join a team that it's possible they'll be required to house a recruit.

However, for people like me who 1) Don't chose their roommate, 2) Have a roommate who is an athlete, 3) Do not even have the option of living off-campus and 4) Have to put up with a recruit, there is absolutely no choice.

I have to allow some stranger to stay in my room when I'm not even on a team. This is ridiculous.

I am, admittedly, a rather private person. I feel uncomfortable having strangers stay in my room overnight. Am I paranoid about theft, damage or alterations to my property? Absolutely.

Yet I would not have any problem with a stranger coming over if my roommate or another friend of mine knew this person and trusted him/

her. For instance, last semester my roommate had, on several occasions, friends and family members over for the night. I had no problem each time he asked if it would be alright for them to sleep over. However, with recruits, my roommate is forced into tolerating an unknown highschool student, and thus cannot ask me how I feel about the impending visit. It's more like: John, we have a recruit coming in whether we like it or not. Furthermore, neither one of us knows this recruit. The reason I had no problem when my roommate brought people over is that my roommate knows them well and can vouch for them.

This is not the case with recruits. Both I and my roommate have our hands tied, but as a non-athlete the problem is more frustrating for me.

I am not paying \$6,000 a year to have total strangers come and go at the discretion of the athletic department. With very little prior notice to me or my roommate, the department simply throws us a recruit whenever they need a room; there isn't even a rotation system or a schedule mapped out.

Recruits should be housed in rooms that have two athletes. Either that, or the athletic department should get non-athletes' permission.

If they're going to house people in my room for a night—they can at least have the decency to ask me first.



## Parties prepare for presidential elections

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Many moderate and conservative Democrats would like to see someone more conservative, older and with a less scandalous background run for President. One name tossed around has been Sen. Bob Kerrey of Nebraska, a candidate seen as having more character than Clinton. On the Don Imus show in January, New Jersey Senator Bill Bradley hinted that Clinton faces a lot of inner party problems. He did not say that he would challenge the President. To heap insult after insult on this administration, Al Gore's name hasn't even been circulated as a possible contender for the spot.

On the left side of the Democratic aisle come people like Jesse Jackson, who has threatened to challenge Clinton for

the party nomination claiming that Clinton was not liberal enough.

Many staunch liberals within the party are appalled at how Mr. Clinton keeps shifting to the right in his public speeches (though not necessarily in policy). They are upset that he has not held firm to traditional liberal ideals, something they saw most clearly in his recent State of the Union Address. By moving right in an attempt to win moderates, Clinton is losing some of the "good old boy" support.

Recently, the party elected many liberal Democrats to lead the party including Tony Coelho (who warns America of the Religious Right), Barney Frank, feminist Congresswoman Pat Schroeder and strong liberals like David

Bonior, Senator Christopher Dodd and Richard Gephardt (who last month advocated an increase in welfare spending).

One final entry could be Colin Powell. Thus far, he has not chosen a party or articulated his beliefs, yet he has done quite well in polls based on his performance in public life.

Whoever decides to run in any party primary needs a massive war-chest in funds. They must be willing to devote time and willing to campaign hard. They will have to announce their intentions and begin fundraising soon. It will be interesting to watch the direction each party takes. If anything, you will see that the parties of today are very different from the same parties a generation ago.

## SGA Desk

## SGA sets the record straight on club reorganization

### The SGA Cabinet

During the past week, a number of charges have been levelled against the Student Government Association (SGA) by concerned members of the Drew Community. The Cabinet, on behalf of the Senate and the SGA Committees, would like to address those complaints, as well as give a brief summary of the projects which the SGA is currently working on.

A letter in last week's Acorn, written by junior Al Valentino, who is currently off-campus on the Washington semester, stated that the SGA had developed a secret plan which would drastically alter the Extra-Curricular Activities Board (ECAB) and do away with the University Programming Board (UPB), the Residence Hall Association (RHA) and the Living Council. Earlier that week, Mr. Valentino sent out a widely distributed E-mail message claiming that Vice President of Finance and Business Affairs Mike McKitish, in concert with the SGA, was attempting to "dissolve the RHA and Living Council" and turn the UPB "into a four person committee of the SGA." In his letter, Mr.

Valentino went further, claiming that when confronted with "the truth," the entire SGA engaged in a cover-up. He compared it to Watergate, and he accuses us of "being such a secret group." He wrote, "I did not think that they would deny the item outright."

Mr. Valentino makes a provocative and intriguing argument, and for those who are unfamiliar with the structure of student government as well as student programming, his E-mail message and letter to the editor may have caused alarm. The SGA would like to clear the air over this and assure everyone that there are no "secret plans" within the SGA or the Cabinet.

In reality, there has never been any plan, formal or informal, to enact the measures that Mr. Valentino proposed. During JanTerm, Mr. Valentino talked to people within the SGA about possible alternatives to the allocation of student activities fees. After these conversations, he jumped to the conclusion that the entire Senate was involved in a conspiracy to get rid of student programming. Certain individuals within SGA and ECAB have called for a self-evaluation by clubs to look for

better ways to spend student money efficiently and effectively. However, these discussions have not been officially addressed by the SGA Senate or Cabinet or by any other student organization.

The fact is that, even had the issue of restructuring student organizations been an official topic of discussion within the SGA, we would have been unable to effect any changes in the system without first consulting each organization and convincing them of the merits of such a proposal. The SGA does not have any authority over ECAB, UPB, Living Council or RHA. Each group has its own charter and constitution, and each plays by its own rules. Clearly, the Student Government Association is in no position to make UPB a four-person committee, reduce ECAB's budget, or dissolve the Living Council and RHA. We have no desire to see these things happen, and we would be unable to make the changes even if we wanted to.

As for the Administration's role, it has been made very clear to the SGA that McKitish as well as University President Tom Kean are interested in maintaining funding for student activities and are even

looking into ways to increase campus programming. In consultation with SGA President Jason Clark, the Administration has created a Committee on Student Life, which is designed to look into precisely the issues that Mr. Valentino has accused us of ignoring. The committee is composed of 15 students, including a UPB representative, and it will address all aspects of student life, from the availability of entertainment on campus to the current allocation of activities fees. One issue that this committee will look at is campus programming, and it is conceivable that structural changes will be made, but these changes will be made by the students on the committee, not the SGA or the Administration.

The rumors started by Mr. Valentino's E-mail and letter are obviously false. There is no conspiracy by the SGA or the Administration to reduce funding for student programming or force students to sit in their rooms on the weekend. In fact, the opposite is true. A student committee has been created to deal with student complaints about life at Drew and to look into ways that we can use our activities fees wisely—such as more concerts and

large scale events. We appreciate and respect the amount of time put into UPB by people such as Mr. Valentino and hope that his spirit of activism becomes contagious. The next time he hears a rumor about campus life, however, we hope that he checks its validity before engaging in a scare campaign.

The SGA is aware that this episode may have caused some students to doubt the veracity of the Senate and the Cabinet. If this is the case, we hope that you will talk to your SGA class or residence hall representative or any member of the Cabinet. In addition, the detailed minutes of every meeting are posted on E-mail in the SGA section, and there are often articles in the Acorn explaining the SGA's latest project. Our next meeting is on Sunday, Feb. 26 at 6p.m. in the Commons Faculty Lounge (through the brown doors at the end of the hall). Not only are the meetings open to everyone, but any student is allowed to speak and have an input in our decisions. If there are still students who feel that we are a "secret group," please come to the meeting. If Mr. Valentino had been to any, this whole situation might have been avoided.

## READER'S FORUM

### daka should change its policies to compromise with students

To the Editor:

I am fed up, and from the looks of it I'm not the only one. Recently, there has been a new rule established at Drew by the food program, daka. Their new rule is not to let anyone into the dining area with their book bags. This bothers me, and many other students. This is a problem to us because if people's things get stolen or misplaced, daka doesn't plan to replace or protect any of the students' items if they are stolen. Theft is not the only problem. This is also an inconvenience for students. It's an inconvenience because students need their book bags during the course of the day, and do not have time to stop by their dorm and drop their bag off before their meal and then go back to their dorm to pick up their bags again.

As you can see, I'm very concerned about this issue. I simply cannot believe a company like daka, who serves just edible food,

and is unsanitary, would suggest such a rule. I feel if they would like us to compromise with their rules that they change some of their habits.

For example, how many students have found a strand of hair, not their own, in their food, or a bug of some sort. How many times have students found or seen bugs lying around. How many times have students seen workers in the snack bar working without rubber gloves, or wearing rubber gloves and using those same rubber gloves for everything. Prime example: I saw a worker with rubber gloves washing dishes and wiping tables and then fix someone's sandwich. This is disgusting.

Finally, we all have noticed how the price of Snapple was increased, but were our Validine values increased? Snapple doesn't even cost \$1.25 in the grocery or anywhere else for that matter. If daka expects the students to comply with their

rules they need to start fulfilling the needs of the students.

What I propose is that the daka food system provide better services, such as exterminating more frequently, wearing hair nets, and changing and wearing rubber gloves. If they want us to leave our book bags downstairs because they think students are stealing food (even though we paid for it anyway), then they should provide a secure place or set some kind of security system. I don't think that's too much to ask. There has to be some kind of compromise, one where the students should benefit the most. On one last note, if the students agree with me, then don't surrender by leaving your belongings in open view where anyone can just walk by and take your things, because, believe or not, theft happens on this campus.

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## Linda Lagle resigns

**John Hwang**  
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After eight years at Drew, Director of News Services Linda Lagle is leaving the University. She has accepted the position of Director of Public and Media Relations at St. Mary's College of Maryland, in St. Mary's City, MD.

When Lagle was voted employee of the year early last semester, she was not considering changing jobs. "Someone had nominated me for the [Maryland] position," she explained. "I really wasn't looking [for a new job]. They invited me down for a campus visit and I went sort of on a whim." As soon as she was there, she said, the college "really won me over."

ing capital of Maryland .... It's a much more rural environment [than Madison]," she said.

She describes her stay at Drew fondly. Lagle remarked that it was "a very exciting time" when she announced that Tom Kean would assume the position of University President. "It's been a tremendous period of forward movement for the institution since he's been here. Those kinds of opportunities to work for press relations when you have someone like [Kean] as President don't come along everyday."

Of her accomplishments, Lagle feels most proud of giving the faculty a more national profile. Faculty members have, thanks to Lagle, been quoted in national newspapers from *USA Today* to *The New York Times*.

"You always have regrets whenever you leave any job," she said. "But this has been an incredible eight years. This place has grown and changed and moved forward so quickly in that amount of time," she said. "It's been fun."

## Events, speakers demonstrate diversity

**HERITAGE**, from page 1 explores the psychological effects of colonialism and the ramifications it has had on the African-American community.

On Thursday, Feb. 23, at 7 p.m. in LC 28, there will be a long-awaited symposium about the Rev. Florence Spearman-Randolph, an African-American woman who attended the Drew Theological School during the 1920s and 30s. During her time at Drew, she was involved in the State Republican Party and the Temperance Movement. In addition, Spearman-Randolph was involved in activist groups such as the Anti-Lynching Society and acted as an advocate

for the YWCA. The symposium will include Spearman-Randolph's granddaughter and others who will discuss this courageous woman.

The two final events for African Heritage Month will be a fashion show/dinner and a play involving the issues surrounding black women. The Fashion Show Dinner Extravaganza will take place in UC 107 at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 25. African food will be served while Drew students model traditional and modern African clothing. Monday, Feb. 27 at 7 p.m. in the Commons Theatre, the play "What About Black Women?" will be open be performed. The play focuses on the plight of three black

## Women panelists share anecdotes



A panel discussion on women's experiences while studying abroad took place Monday. Participants shared stories, problems and anecdotes about having felt welcomed or isolated in different cultures.

## Trustees examine plan

**PLAN**, from page 1

University's location with academics. The plan includes suggestions for increasing such activities with, for instance, a program similar to RISE in business and "summer institutes" in different academic areas. The Drew International Seminar (DIS) and other international and off-campus programs are, similarly, highlighted as parts of experiential learning. The first DIS seminars, successors to the Second-Year Seminars, will take place during the 1995-96 academic year.

The fourth part of the report deals with ensuring that the funds budgeted for a variety of programs and equipment, from the multi-media center to the Computer Initiative, are adequate to support the desired level of technological integration in the CLA. Finally, the Plan points out that, though the University has made renovations to a number of buildings and expanded other major facilities, priority has been given to non-academic space. It suggests that serious attention be directed toward the Hall of Sciences, Brothers College and other classroom and faculty office space. "Space is at a premium," Cucchi said. "We need to sort out where the most pressing needs are."

According to the document itself, the Plan represents a movement towards several long-range goals intended to maintain the present success and guarantee the future success of the CLA. Other changes in the College's structure, such as the transition to 4-4



Salmore sits on Dean's Council.

changes would be finished before strategic planning was undertaken, but that "the PPC [Presidential Planning Commission] mandated that we start at this time."

Finally, the report states that improving the University's reputation is one of the most important goals of implementing the changes it recommends. "This is a very good liberal arts college because there are attractive things in the curriculum," Salmore said. "I can't imagine the faculty approving something... whose academic quality they could not defend."

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## Theatre Arts and DUDS offer many spring events

Students learn from masters and perform tales of friendship, love, lots more

**Andrew Gerber**  
**Joy Tomasko**

"Connect, connect, connect." Olympia Dukakis advised aspiring thespians last Saturday. For the third year in a row, Dukakis, an Academy Award-winning actor and theatre producer, came to Drew to teach an acting workshop, critiquing students' performances of scenes.

Dukakis also ate lunch, answered questions and exchanged anecdotes with University President Tom Kean and the theatre arts department, both faculty members and majors.

Dukakis's workshop was the first of several events the theatre arts department and the Drew University Dramatic Society, DUDS, have planned for the spring semester.

The core of the program is the productions, which are directed, performed, designed, choreographed, stage managed and constructed primarily by students.

Next week DUDS will perform

a short student-written play called *Passing Through the Sanitarium*, produced along with the one-scene play *Minnesota Moon*.

Sophomore James Armstrong described his comedy *Passing Through the Sanitarium* as "a wacky probe into the human condition." He said he was pleased to be working with his director, senior Beverly Goodrich.

Goodrich are "both very happy about," the way the cast has been working.

*Passing Through the Sanitarium* follows the conflicts between four superficially different inmates of an insane asylum. Armstrong explained the overall concept behind his play. "We've all got to stick together. We've all got to work together as fellow citizens of Planet

"I'm trying to push them into an ensemble. They play ... about ten different women, at least, each ... [I am] pushing people in certain directions that they could go, [but] would not have gone before."

—Kathleen Minogue  
Senior

Earth," he said.

Is he nervous about the production? "It hasn't hit me that, 'Oh, my God, my play is going up' ... it probably will pretty soon," Armstrong says.

Junior Mike Fisher is directing

rehearsal has been killer."

When two plays are produced as part of the same "set," it is not unusual for the students to develop ego conflicts with each other, but according to Fisher, "It's been going really well, really smoothly." All the students involved seem dedicated to the work.

*Minnesota Moon* and *Passing Through the Sanitarium* represent only the first of five sets preparing for production. Senior Kathleen Minogue is directing *Bad Girls*, a collection of stories and speeches.

Lorilyn Jirges originally wrote the script to be performed by six women, but Minogue has opted to use an ensemble of eight, with Jirges's permission.

Although *Bad Girls* has no master narrative following the same group of characters, a problem remained: how to assign the lines to the eight women. "We went into rehearsal with no parts for anyone," Minogue explained. Minogue reworked the script mostly by letting the actors choose "things they felt close to ... a lot of [assigning the lines] just came."

However, Minogue said she did not assign every actor whatever role they wanted, because she wanted all eight roles to be relatively equal.

"I'm trying to push them into an ensemble. They play ... about ten different women, at least, each," Minogue has been challenging her cast by "pushing people [in the play] in certain directions that they could go, [but] would not have gone before."

Although *Bad Girls* deals with many women's issues, "A lot of these issues men deal with, as well ... I don't particularly think you have to be a woman to appreciate this show," Minogue said.

The third set pairs Romulus Linney's *Akhmatava* and Susan Sontag's *The Way We Live Now*, directed by senior Lara Lee and Assistant Professor of Theatre Arts Jim Bazewicz respectively. *Akhmatava* takes place in Moscow shortly after Stalin's death. *The Way We Live Now* tells the story of a fatally ill man, who never appears on stage except in the stories the cast tells the audience.

Senior Michael Barrett Jones directs the spring musical, *Weird Romance*, a show that combines two science-fiction stories, "The Girl Who Was Plugged In" and "Her Pilgrim Soul." The season will close with a dance concert directed by Dance Instructor Leslie Powell and choreographed by her students.

In addition to the main stage productions, the theatre arts department and DUDS are presenting the Plays in Process (PIP) series, staged readings of plays by Drew students (and perhaps McLaughlin) in various stages of development. Junior Cynthia Anderson is producing the projects this semester.

These informal readings, generally performed by students with scripts in their hands, give the playwright an idea of how the play will sound in front of an audience. PIP also gives young directors and actors a chance to do a little extra work.

During the weekend of April 21, the theatre arts department will present a series of plays, including revivals of last semester's *Greensleeves*, *Jack, Come and Go* and *A Poster of the Cosmos*. These productions are intended to celebrate the NAMES Project Quilt display at the Simon Forum.

Also, Dukakis is not the only professional to donate time and advice to theatre arts students. Today, staff members of the New Jersey Shakespeare Festival, including Artistic Director Bonnie Monte, Managing Director Mike Stotts and Drew alumni Joe Discher (C '91) Dawn Williams (C '93), are scheduled to talk to interested students about opportunities with NJSF.

Finally, Tony Award and Pulitzer Prize winning playwright Wendy Wasserstein will give a playwriting workshop some time in late April. Wasserstein wrote such plays as *The Heidi Chronicles* and *The Sisters Rosensweig*.

Such a full schedule may seem intimidating to college students, but as Dukakis advised young actors last Saturday, "Make friends with fear."

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- ♥ Highlander trilogy concludes







## MUSIC

Ugly Americans  
debut—who cares?Erik Greb  
Asst. Entertainment Editor

They came from the west coast. *Entertainment Weekly* voted them "Best Unsigned Band in America." They have performed on tour supporting the Dave Matthews Band and Big Head Todd and the Monsters. They're the Ugly Americans, and they've just released a self-titled debut.

From the first few notes of the opening song, "Electro," through the rest of the album, the Ugly Americans make an impression that doesn't go away. They sound exactly like the *Late Night with David Letterman* band. They play the same kind of music, too. Safe, complacent, uncontroversial white music that passes for authentic rock and roll in some circles. The musicians are proficient, and the band clicks as a unit, but once you've heard the first few seconds of the first song, you know how the whole album's going to sound.

Ugly Americans aim to be a good-time rock and roll party band. Their songs are pretty standard and deal with love and sex. None of the songs say anything original, nor are they provocative or sexual. You've heard it before. The songs are very formulaic, and structurally identical. Instead of getting your blood rushing and adrenaline pumping, they arouse only boredom.

A few of the songs contain an ounce of '70's funk and resemble

some of the Black Crowes' reheated retro-grooves. Unfortunately, Ugly Americans fail to distinguish themselves as unique as the Black Crowes somehow do. The "funk"-y songs seem like a stab at credibility instead of a genuine passion for bumpy, ass-shakin' music.

"Don't Give Me No Lip" is not, as might be expected, a cover of the Thomas/Richards song that the Sex Pistols made famous. It's not surprising. That song can be done in a confrontational way, and the Americans aim to please. Their "Lip" is a lame-brained celebration of "rebelliousness."

Vocalist Bob Schneider sings, "Don't give me no lip about my drinking habit/ Don't give me no lip about chasing women/ Don't give me no lip about smoking reefer." After these lines, you expect some kind of clever joke or unusual self-justifying statement. Instead, Schneider ends the chorus with a flat, "Don't give me no lip." How witty.

"Can't Get Enough" features stock lyrics about that girl who just can't be satisfied. She wants to do it again and again. Combined with the mediocre music, the lyrics lead you to ask, "Who cares?" Other lyrics are so bland, like, "Well, it's nine o'clock in Memphis/ with a bottle by my side," from "Piece of Heaven" that they're hardly worth mentioning.

The song titles say a lot about the band's creativity. "Nothing to

Lose," "Love You Forever," and the aforementioned "Don't Give Me No Lip," "Piece of Heaven," and "Can't Get Enough" are about as original and exciting as a beer commercial.

*Ugly Americans* is not an interesting album. There is nothing unique or outstanding about this Huey Lewis

bar band of would-be crowd pleasers. The Americans don't want to rock the boat. With a sound as typical as they have (vocals, drums, bass, guitar, organ) they need some really strong and creative songs to grab your attention. Instead, they rely on a rigid song structure which quickly becomes tiresome. There are no tempo changes or mood shifts. There's nothing to get excited about.

Ugly Americans are a distinctly mediocre, cheesy white "rock" band for middle-aged people who kid themselves that they know what's going on in today's music.



The Ugly Americans' self-titled debut: Boy, are these guys uuuuugly!

## Special Showings

Highlander  
saga concludes  
— once againRobert A. Coakley  
Staff Writer

*Highlander: The Final Dimension*. Starring Christopher Lamvert, Mario Van Peebles and Deborah Unger.

What can you say about influential "cult" films? It's sometimes hard to say which of two cult films influenced the other, even when you know which one was first released. *The Terminator*, *Blade Runner* and the original *Highlander* are all very influential movies of the "modern noir" genre.

The original *Highlander* came out in 1985, and had an obvious MTV style to it. "There can be only one!" was the catchphrase of the movie.

Of course, the rather poor *Highlander 2: The Quickening* came out, and many people thought, "There should have been only one." Now, *Highlander: The Final Dimension* (also advertised as *The Sorcerer*) has been released.

Christopher Lambert returns as the immortal Scotsman with the French accent, Connor MacLeod ("of the Clan MacLeod").

This time, he has to battle the evil immortal Kane (Mario Van Peebles).

Kane and MacLeod would have fought during the first movie, but Kane was trapped in a cave for 400 years after killing MacLeod's mentor, the Japanese sorcerer Nakano (Mako of *Rising Sun*).

Kane escapes the cave during a contemporary archeological dig, and he is powered with the magic of illusion he absorbed from Nakano. MacLeod

must fight him or an age of evil will dawn on humanity.

This may sound slightly familiar because, in the first movie, MacLeod fought the Kurgan (Clancy Brown), an evil immortal who killed MacLeod's mentor Ramirez (Sean Connery), for the fate of mankind.

This is the problem with most sequels. They are either too similar or too different from their predecessors.

*Highlander 2* was so different from the first one, many fans of the original were extremely upset. So the filmmakers wanted to finish the series with a movie that would be more like the first one. Unfortunately, they reshaped the first movie with a different bad guy and romantic interest.

Not that Van Peebles doesn't do a fairly good job as Kane. He is more subtle and sinister than Brown ever was, even though he has a generic "icy cold nemesis" part that's not much of a stretch to play.

Van Peebles does make his voice chilling, and for that I'll give him credit, as well as for wearing some uncomfortable looking armor while riding a horse early in the film.

All in all, *Highlander: The Final Dimension* is not that bad, and does give the audience some great views of the Scottish highlands as well as superb editing and rock music during the sword fights.

For *Highlander* "purists," I suggest sticking with the first one, while for others I recommend both the first and the third, but to avoid the second one at all costs. Trust me.

## Men's basketball ends 8-game skid; defeat King's College

Paul Flannery  
Staff Writer

The men's basketball team put an end to their eight game losing streak on Saturday with a 70-60 victory over King's College. The win boosted the Rangers record to 7-16 (4-8 in the MAC).

After falling behind 32-29 at half-time, the Rangers put the ball in sophomore Tim Shaw's hands and he responded with a 25 point performance. Shaw, who was battling the flu as well as King's defenders, converted 7 of 13 shots including 3 of 6 from three point range.

The Ranger win, however, was hardly a one-man show. Junior

co-captain Dan Pierce owned the boards as he grabbed up 13 rebounds to go along with 16 points. It was the play of the Ranger big men that made the difference. Junior Charles Clinton, sophomore Vic Longo and first-year student Keith Wallach each contributed big numbers. Wallach had 10 points and 5 rebounds.

Late in the second half with the score tied at 55, Longo converted two fast break away lay-ups to put the Rangers ahead for good. Over the next six minutes, King's did not score a point against the swarming Drew defense.

Along with the tough defense, Drew converted their free throws down the stretch to preserve the 10 point win.

Both Clinton and Shaw were eight of ten from the line and overall the Rangers were 26-40 from the line.

During the course of the game King's shot only 13 free throws.

Shaw summed up the win when he said, "We learned from the past few games that we needed to take the ball to the basket and get to the line. This was evidenced by our 40 free throws."

Despite the impressive victory, the Rangers were mathematically eliminated from the MAC playoff race.

Last night, Drew entertained the University of Scranton. It was a night to be remembered for two other reasons, however. Before tip-off, Drew honored its two senior players, Bob Zuppe

and Bill Bogardus, in the seniors' final home game.

In addition, Dan Pierce scored his 1,000th career point. Pierce is only the 13th player in Drew history to surpass the mark.

The moment came ten minutes into the first half on a three pointer. Pierce's specialty. It was Pierce's fourth three of the half, and it brought the Rangers to a 22-22 tie with the heavily favored Royals. Visions of last year's memorable upset win over Scranton raced through the crowd's head, but it was not to be. Before Drew could catch its breath, Scranton went on a 12-0 run. The Rangers turned in a spirited second half but could get no closer than 10 points

the rest of the game. Paced by Charlie Nannick's 20 points, Scranton pulled away away to a 79-58 win.

Pierce finished with 20 points, and Shaw added 18. Zuppe played a solid floor game leading the Rangers with five assists and grabbing a team-high four rebounds. With the five assists, Zuppe's career total is 217, earning him twelfth place on Drew's all-time list.

The Rangers will conclude their season tomorrow at their arch-rival F.D.U.—Madison. They would like nothing better than to finish the season with a victory over the Devils, and avenge last month's heartbreaking 65-64 loss.

## Successful debut swimming season comes to a conclusion

Jaime Hayman  
Staff Writer

When the men's and women's swim teams began their seasons in November, the teams were uncertain about what they could achieve.

After all, Drew started from scratch with no recruits and no collegiate swimming experience.

Even close losses on February 5 to the University of Scranton, in their final meet of the year, could not ruin the swim team's highly successful season.

The women's team was led by first-year students Kirsten Reid, who placed second in both the 50 and 100 yard freestyle, Kathy Forrestal, who placed second in the 200 yd butterfly and 200 yd breaststroke and first-year student Stacy Trzesinski who placed third in the 1000 yd freestyle.

The Rangers' lone victories were earned by junior Julie Pelano and sophomore Deborah Koch in the 200 yd backstroke and the 200 yd breaststroke, respectively.

Despite strong swimming all around, the women came up short,

96-78.

First-year student Casey O'Donnell led the men with first place finishes in the 200 yd freestyle and the 200 yd backstroke.

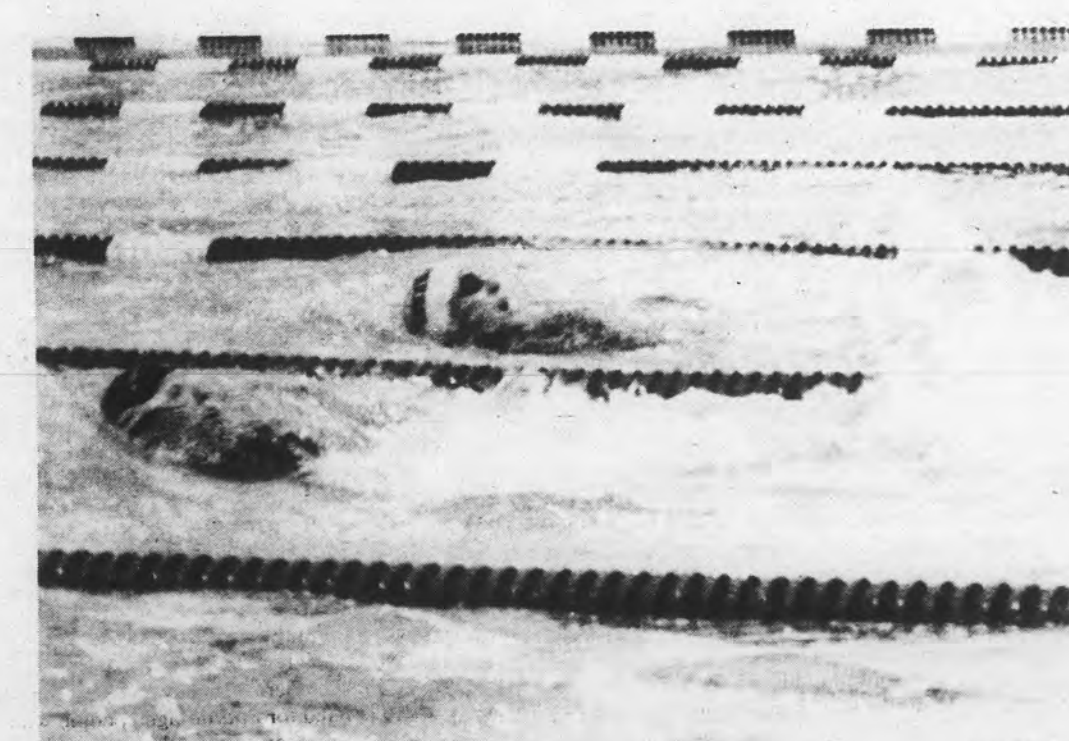
Senior Michael Lawrence took first in the 200 yd breaststroke, while first-year student Conor Petren was second in the 50 yd freestyle and the 100 yd freestyle.

Also placing in the top three for the men's team were junior Jay Clawson in the 1000 and 500 yd freestyle and senior Brent Thompson in the 200 yd freestyle and 200 yd individual medley.

Even with strong swimming by the whole team, Scranton proved too tough to beat, coming out on top 108-69.

Despite losing the final meet of the season, the men's and women's swim teams can look back at their highly successful season and be proud.

After both teams started with wins against Juniata College, they proceeded to lose the next two to William Paterson College and See SWIMMING, Page 15



A Drew swimmer backstrokes her way toward victory in the team's final meet of the season.

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# Fencing dominates first home meet of the season

**Derek Ziegler**  
Assistant Sports Editor

Yesterday, the Drew University fencing team had the opportunity to host its first home meet in three years.

The Rangers took full advantage of this opportunity, soundly defeating Stevens Institute of Technology 20-7.

The foil strip of the fencing squad led the way, recording eight victories against only one loss.

Seniors Jason Wilson and Taylor Huttner each won all three of their bouts for the night to improve their already impressive season and career records.

For the season, Wilson has 25 victories and only 7 defeats, while Huttner has earned 24 wins and suffered 9 losses.

On this particular evening, the Drew seniors rolled by their opponents. Between them, they allowed only six touches in their six victories, and appear well on their way to a strong performance in the upcoming Middle Atlantic Collegiate Fencing Association (MACFA) championships.

"This season is going quite well for the team, and individually I have a shot at the Division I championships for the third straight year," Wilson said.

Huttner added, "I think we did really well. It was a good opportunity to gain respect from the school."

The rest of the team also showed off their skills in front of the home crowd.

Sophomore Jeremy Thompson and junior Charles Caserta recorded two victories apiece on the sabre strip, while senior Mark Wilcox and sophomore Joe Schmidt each had two wins on the epee strip. Both the sabre and epee

teams had six wins and three defeats on the evening.

In their last contest before the Stevens meet, the fencing squad traveled to Yeshiva University last Saturday to challenge Yeshiva and the New Jersey Institute of Technology.

The team also fenced the United States Military Academy for the second time this season in a meet that did not count in the official MACFA standings.

The Army competition was the source of some confusion for Drew, as the team and the coaches were not informed whether this was an official meet.

Nevertheless, the Ranger fencers prevailed over Yeshiva and NJIT.

Drew started out rather slowly in their first competition against NJIT but was aided by three forfeits by their opponent.

The Rangers eventually triumphed 14-13.

The epee and sabre squads both won five bouts to secure the victory. The epee squad was led by Wilcox, who defeated all three of his opponents.

Thompson also recorded three victories to lead the sabre squad. Commenting on the performance of the sabre team, Thompson said, "We're doing a pretty good job of pulling our weight. Last week, we did our job and pulled out some wins."

After the victory over NJIT, Drew challenged Yeshiva.

In this meet, results went more according to the Rangers' expectations.

The foil team, led by Wilson and Huttner, carried Drew to victory by recording nine wins and zero losses.

Head Coach Matthew Mergen praised the performance of the

foilers, but also was encouraged by the victories of two members of the epee team, sophomores Solon Frazillus and Jessica Pankuch.

"Solon and Jessica got their first victories of the season. They fenced very smart and showed a lot of progress. Their hard work is starting to pay off," Mergen said.

Mergen was particularly pleased by the efforts of Frazillus and Pankuch because Drew's epee team has lacked consistency this season in the C strip (third seeded person in the epee).

He said, "It's good that the C strip is starting to perform."

As for the meet as a whole, Mergen said, "I was happier about this weekend than the previous one. By the time we fenced Yeshiva, we were on a roll."

Tomorrow, the Rangers will host their second meet in three days, challenging Vassar College and Cornell University at 1 p.m. in the Simon Forum.

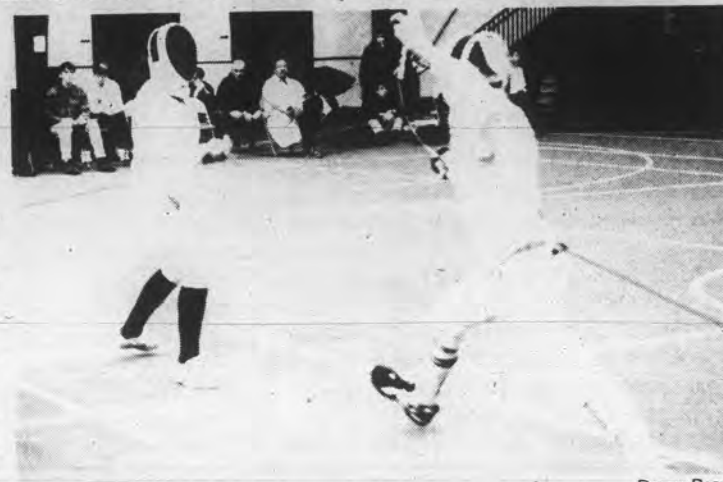
According to Mergen, "Cornell and Vassar have a few good fencers, but if everyone on our team fences to their potential, I don't expect a problem. We'll see what happens."

The following Saturday, the MACFA championships will come to Drew for the first time.

The all-day event will begin with a 14 team competition, followed by the individual championships and award ceremonies.

"This season has been strange because nothing happened for a while, and now everything is happening at once."

This could work out to our advantage, because I think we're on the right track to doing well," Mergen said.



First-Year student Fran Caggiano battles her opponent.

## B-Ball Box Scores Men's Games

DREW.....70 King's.....60										
Name	M-A	M-A	O-T	A	P	F	T	Reb	TP	
Shaw	7-13	8-10	0-4	2	1	25				
Pierce	5-12	4-6	1-13	0	3	16				
Wallach	3-7	4-8	3-5	0	4	10				
Clinton	0-2	8-10	0-1	1	1	8				
Longo	3-8	0-2	2-7	1	0	6				
Zuppe	1-3	1-2	1-5	4	1	4				
Fannon	0-0	1-2	0-0	0	0	1				
Bogardus	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0				
Rivetti	0-4	0-0	1-1	1	3	0				
Totals	19-49	26-40	8-41	13	7	70				
Opp.Ts	23-61	8-13	10-39	3	24	60				

Score By Periods	1	2	TL
Rangers	29	41	70
King's	32	28	60

DREW...78 Del.Val...88										
Name	M-A	M-A	O-T	A	P	F	T	Reb	TP	
Pierce	11-21	4-6	3-11	3	2	30				
Shaw	9-24	2-3	0-2	3	3	23				
Rivetti	3-4	3-3	0-2	0	5	10				
Longo	4-7	0-0	3-7	2	2	8				
Clinton	1-1	2-2	0-2	1	4	4				
Fannon	0-1	2-2	1-2	3	2	2				
Wallach	0-0	1-2	1-1	0	2	1				
Zuppe	0-0	0-0	0-3	5	1	0				
Grande	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0				
DiFilippi	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0				
DiCenzo	0-0	0-0	0-1	1	1	0				
Totals	28-58	14-17	34	18	25	78				
Opp.Ts	29-62	3-13	35	16	15	88				

Score By Periods	1	2	TL
Rangers	35	43	78
Delaware Valley	36	52	88

## Women's Games

DREW.....55 Del.Val...69										
Name	M-A	M-A	O-T	A	P	F	T	Reb	TP	
Doll	5-13	4-7	2-2	4	3	16				
Bascom	6-18	2-6	1-1	0	4	14				
Rogers	4-14	0-0	3-6	2	5	8				
Williams	2-11	1-2	3-9	0	2	5				
Moyer	1-1	2-3	0-0	0	1	4				
Goeke	1-4	1-1	0-0	0	1	3				
Wolpert	0-4	2-2	3-6	0	2	2				
Eberhard	0-0	2-2	0-0	0	1	2				
Hennrich	0-0	1-5	1-1	6	1	1				
Dunne	0-1	0-2	1-2	0	1	0				
Totals	19-66	15-30	19-46	12	21	55				

FG%	FT%	3PT%	Blocked Shots	Turnovers
28.8	50.0	37.5	2	25
27.6	18.2	19.5	11	18
36.8	73.3	37.5	3	35
28.8	50.0	37.5	2	25
Score By Period	1	2	OT	TL
Rangers	21	34	55	
Delaware Valley	27	42	69	

DREW...72 King's...80 (Overtime)										
Name	M-A	M-A	O-T	A	P	F	T	Reb	TP	
Bascom	9-24	6-7	1-7	0	4	24				
Doll	8-18	4-5	0-3	6	2	21				
Williams	9-15	2-4	2-6	1	4	20				
Rogers	2-6	3-4	1-4	2	5	7				
Moyer	0-2	0-0	1-5	0	3	0				
Hennrich	0-2	0-0	0-2	2	4	0				
Dunne	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0				
Wolpert	0-3	0-0	0-0	1	1	0				
Goeke	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0				
Eberhard	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	1	0				
Totals	28-71	15-20	5-33	12	24	72				

FG%	FT%	3PT%	Blocked Shots	Turnovers
34.4	75.0	30.3	4	17
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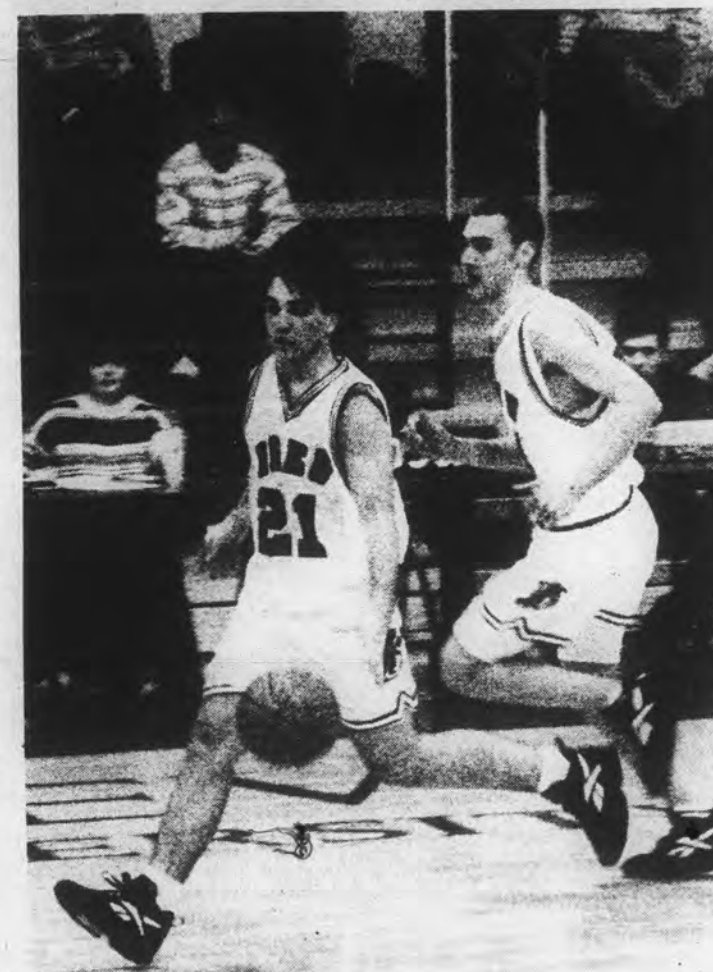
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## Fencing dominates first home meet of the season

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Yesterday, the Drew University fencing team had the opportunity to host its first home meet in three years.

The Rangers took full advantage of this opportunity, soundly defeating Stevens Institute of Technology 20-7.

The foil strip of the fencing squad led the way, recording eight victories against only one loss.

Seniors Jason Wilson and Taylor Huttner each won all three of their bouts for the night to improve their already impressive season and career records.

For the season, Wilson has 25 victories and only 7 defeats, while Huttner has earned 24 wins and suffered 9 losses.

On this particular evening, the Drew seniors rolled by their opponents. Between them, they allowed only six touches in their six victories, and appear well on their way to a strong performance in the upcoming Middle Atlantic Collegiate Fencing Association (MACFA) championships.

"This season is going quite well for the team, and individually I have a shot at the Division I championships for the third straight year," Wilson said.

Huttner added, "I think we did really well. It was a good opportunity to gain respect from the school."

The rest of the team also showed off their skills in front of the home crowd.

Sophomore Jeremy Thompson and junior Charles Caserta recorded two victories apiece on the sabre strip, while senior Mark Wilcox and sophomore Joe Schmidt each had two wins on the epee strip. Both the sabre and epee

teams had six wins and three defeats on the evening.

In their last contest before the Stevens meet, the fencing squad traveled to Yeshiva University last Saturday to challenge Yeshiva and the New Jersey Institute of Technology.

The team also fenced the United States Military Academy for the second time this season in a meet that did not count in the official MACFA standings.

The Army competition was the source of some confusion for Drew, as the team and the coaches were not informed whether this was an official meet.

Nevertheless, the Ranger fencers prevailed over Yeshiva and NJIT.

Drew started out rather slowly in their first competition against NJIT but was aided by three forfeits by their opponent.

The Rangers eventually triumphed 14-13.

The epee and sabre squads both won five bouts to secure the victory. The epee squad was led by Wilcox, who defeated all three of his opponents.

Thompson also recorded three victories to lead the sabre squad. Commenting on the performance of the sabre team, Thompson said, "We're doing a pretty good job of pulling our weight. Last week, we did our job and pulled out some wins."

After the victory over NJIT, Drew challenged Yeshiva.

In this meet, results went more according to the Rangers' expectations.

The foil team, led by Wilson and Huttner, carried Drew to victory by recording nine wins and zero losses.

Head Coach Matthew Mergen praised the performance of the

foilers, but also was encouraged by the victories of two members of the epee team, sophomores Solon Frazillus and Jessica Pankuch.

"Solon and Jessica got their first victories of the season. They fenced very smart and showed a lot of progress. Their hard work is starting to pay off," Mergen said.

Mergen was particularly pleased by the efforts of Frazillus and Pankuch because Drew's epee team has lacked consistency this season in the C strip (third seeded person in the epee).

He said, "It's good that the C strip is starting to perform."

As for the meet as a whole, Mergen said, "I was happier about this weekend than the previous one. By the time we fenced Yeshiva, we were on a roll."

Tomorrow, the Rangers will host their second meet in three days, challenging Vassar College and Cornell University at 1 p.m. in the Simon Forum.

According to Mergen, "Cornell and Vassar have a few good fencers, but if everyone on our team fences to their potential, I don't expect a problem. We'll see what happens."

The following Saturday, the MACFA championships will come to Drew for the first time.

The all-day event will begin with a 14 team competition, followed by the individual championships and award ceremonies.

"This season has been strange because nothing happened for a while, and now everything is happening at once."

This could work out to our advantage, because I think we're on the right track to doing well," Mergen said.



First-Year student Fran Caggiano battles her opponent.

## B-Ball Box Scores Men's Games

**DREW.....70**  
**King's.....60**

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Shaw	7-13	8-10	0-4	2	1	25
Pierce	5-12	4-6	1-3	0	3	16
Wallach	3-7	4-8	3-5	0	4	10
Clinton	0-2	8-10	0-1	1	1	8
Longo	3-8	0-2	2-7	1	0	6
Zuppe	1-3	1-2	1-5	4	1	4
Fannon	0-0	1-2	0-0	0	0	1
Bogardus	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Rivetti	0-4	0-0	1-1	1	3	0
Totals	19-49	26-40	8-41	13	7	60
Opp.Ts	23-61	8-13	10-39	3	24	60

Score By Periods	1	2	TL
Rangers	29	41	70
King's	32	28	60

**DREW...78**  
**Del.Val...88**

Name	M-A	M-A	O-T	A	P	TP
Pierce	11-21	4-6	3-11	3	2	30
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Opp.Ts	29-62	33-35	16	15	88	

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Delaware Valley	36	52	88

## Women's Games

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**Del.Val...69**

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Doll	5-13	4-7	2-2	4	3	16
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Totals	19-66	15-30	49-16	21	55	

FG%	FT%	3PT%	400
Blocked Shots-2	Turnovers-25		

Opp.Ts	21-57	22-30	16-50	13	26	69
FG%	36%	FT%	73%	3PT%	35%	
Blocked Shots-3	Turnovers-28					

Score By Period	1	2	OT	TL
Rangers	28	38	6	72
Delaware Valley	27	42	69	

**DREW...72**  
**King's...80**  
(Overtime)

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Bascom	9-24	6-7	1-7	0	4	24
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Blocked Shots-4	Turnovers-17				

Opp.Ts	27-64	18-27	19-56	11	18	80
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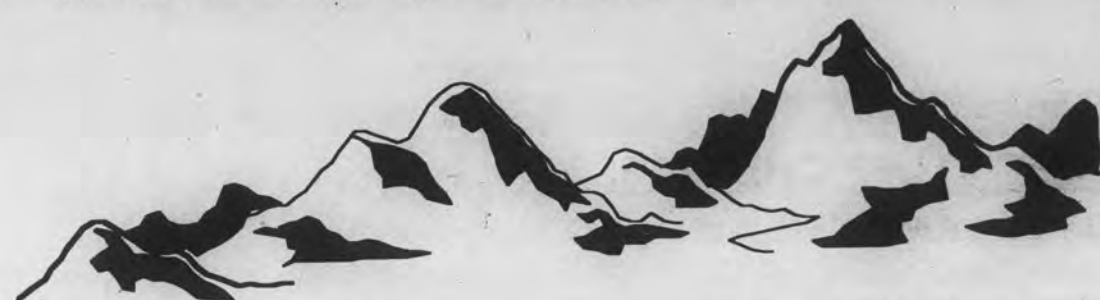
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# Women's Basketball gets ninth win, lose in O.T.

**Ryan J. Fraytic**  
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This was a week which saw the women's basketball team lose in overtime to a very good King's College team then handily defeat Cedar Crest College for their ninth win and finally drop a game to an excellent University of Scranton team.

They tripled the win total from last year and at the same time showed steady improvement with each and every game.

Despite a final losing score of 80-72, Saturday's game against King's College was played as if it were a championship.

Trailing 35-28 at the half, the Rangers came from behind to tie the game with two critical free throws made by senior co-captain Meredith Doll.

The game was attended by a season high of 200 people, including a high number of prospective students.

Questionable calls by the official down the stretch hindered the Rangers severely.

Yet the team showed no signs of giving up, and fought their way back from a sizable difference.

It was an impressive showing by the team, whose record now stands at 9-13.

According to junior co-captain Meredith Doll "It was a great game. It was one that even when it was over you thought you might have won. We played probably the best basketball we ever played."

Coincidentally, Doll pointed

out that last year, the team's first victory was on Valentine's Day; this year, the team's ninth victory, tripling last year's total, was achieved the day before Valentine's Day.

Doll commented on the two free throws she hit down the stretch to tie the game by saying, "Actually, I thought I was going to miss. I tried to take them one at a time and not think too much."

Junior co-captain Emma Bascom said, "We played really well. We came back with not much time left. It didn't feel like a loss...We did our best."

First-year student Sarah Wolpert added to Bascom's comments saying, "We really played hard; we never gave up."

If there were a weak spot, it would have been the Rangers' defense against the three point shot.

King's went 8-10 from beyond the arc, hitting an amazing 80 percent of their three point tries.

"We were in a 3-2 which is designed to stop the three. It just wasn't working," Bascom said.

Doll agreed. "We should have played [McAteer, Cedar Crest's high scorer] a little closer. We were shocked that she was taking and making that many shots. We didn't remember her shooting in the first game," she said.

The loss, however difficult to handle, was quickly forgotten after the next game.



Meredith Doll drives the lane in last night's game against the University of Scranton

Monday evening the Rangers defeated Cedar Crest College by a score of 52-43.

Although the score appeared close, the game was not.

Using offensive changes similar to a shift change in hockey, all of the Rangers had a lot of playing time.

Bascom noted, "Everyone got a chance to play. It didn't really feel like a win, but we're glad to have one in the win column."

Wednesday night the Rangers dropped a game to the University of Scranton by a score

of 76-44.

The Rangers were outplayed by the number eight team in the nation in NCAA Division III basketball.

Scranton combined excellent passing with superb defense in handling the Rangers.

The team needs one more win to hit double-digits in the win column.

They have two games remaining: one on the road, the other at home.

Tomorrow the team travels to F.D.U. Drew dropped their last meeting here at home

48-44.

Doll commented on the rivalry between Drew and F.D.U., "We can definitely beat them. It doesn't matter what's on paper, it's such a rivalry. Everyone plays her best."

The Rangers' final home game is Tuesday, February 21 at 7:30p.m. in the forum.

The King's game was well attended. Bascom said, "It was nice to have a crowd at the game."

Come support them in their final game of the year.

## Ranger of the Week

Tim Shaw

It has been a season of struggling for the Drew men's basketball team this year, but that has not stopped sophomore Tim Shaw from putting on an impressive show on the court.



Shaw provides an offensive spark

Averaging close to 18 points a game, Shaw is the second highest scorer for the Rangers and among the top ten scorers in the MAC Freedom League.

With stats like those his contributions have not gone unnoticed by his teammates.

"Tim always plays hard. He's a competitor, and one of the most consistent players on our team," said junior co-captain Dan Pierce.

"Tim is by far the most improved player on the team," said senior co-captain Bobby Zuppe. Zuppe continued, "He's skilled beyond his years and is an all around outstanding player."

Assistant coach Kevin Ralph agrees that, although he is a

young player, Shaw has established a leadership role on the court.

"He does everything for us. He's been improving his range for three pointers, he can put the ball on the floor and go to the basket, and he's really the only one on the team we can

count on to go one on one and break the defense down," said Ralph.

Shaw is looking forward to future seasons of Drew basketball.

"We struggled in the beginning, then we played well but when we lost Aaron O'Hanlan we had to learn to fill the gap.

It's been a rebuilding year for us, and I'm really looking to the future when it comes to basketball," said Shaw.

Drew basketball is looking to Shaw as it finishes out this season and prepares for the next.

"Timmy's young but we counted on him a lot this year, he's a good kid, and a real asset to the team," said Ralph.

—Amy Cardone

## A view from the field

# Spring sports suffer in Forum

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With the winter sports seasons coming to a close, our attention will soon be shifting to Drew's spring sports. While it doesn't seem that spring is even close yet, most spring sports teams have already been practicing for weeks. It may still be preseason for these teams, but that does not mean that they are taking it easy.

The men's basketball team will play their final game tomorrow at Fairleigh Dickinson University at 2

p.m., and the women's team will play F.D.U. at noon tomorrow.

To finish their season, the team will host St. Elizabeth's on Tuesday, February 21, at 7:30pm. Fencing will complete their season next Saturday at home with their conference tournament.

After that, the Drew community will have to wait until after spring break to see another athletic event.

Currently, the baseball, softball, men's and women's lacrosse, and men's tennis teams are practicing ev-

ery day.

Due to the weather, these teams have had to practice indoors, on the Forum floor.

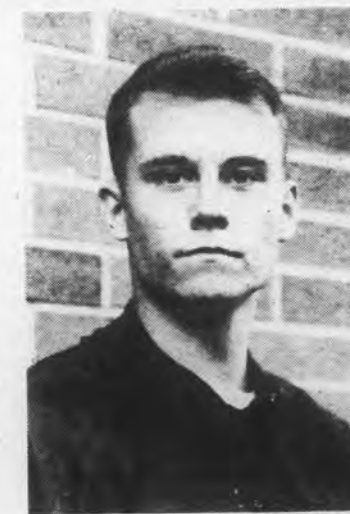
Since fencing is still practicing, there are more teams practicing than there are time slots for use of the Forum. This has led to teams practicing at absurd hours.

Drew's rules for use of the Forum floor state that at all times there must be two courts (of the four) available for general use. Varsity teams are given

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## Pierce Scores 1000th Point

Congratulations to junior Dan Pierce of the Men's Basketball Team for scoring the 1000th point of his career last night against



Scranton. Pierce now has 1,009

points in his career while averaging 19.5 points a game. Pierce becomes only the 13th player in Ranger history to accomplish this feat.