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### TICKETS ON SALE FOR EVENING WITH JOHN LEGEND AT DSU

Tickets are now on sale for "An Evening with John Legend," a combination speaking engagement and mini-concert at 7 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 27 in the Memorial Hall Gymnasium on the campus of Delaware State University.

Tickets are \$10 for DSU students and \$20 for the general public, and can be purchased online at www.DSUHORNETS.com . To purchase tickets, go to the section "More" from DSU toward the bottom of the home page and click on "An Evening with John Legend".

Tickets can also be purchase at the DSU Ticket
Office in Memorial Hall on campus.

Nine-time Grammy Award winner, John Legend is a multi-talented artist known for his signature vocals and songwriting style that has earned him legions of worldwide fans, along with a string of Top 10 platinum-selling albums.

His albums Get Lifted (2004), Once Again (2006), and Evolver (2008) each reached #1 on the Billboard R&B/Hip Hop charts.

He has collaborated with some of the best in the business and has written for numerous artists on bestselling recordings by artists including Lauryn Hill, Alicia Keys, Jay-Z and Kanye West.

Most recently, John and the band The Roots released Wake Up! (2010), a compilation of music from the 60's and 70's all with an underlying theme of awareness, engagement and social consciousness which won two Grammy Awards for Best R&B Album and Best Traditional R&B Vocal Performance.

The album is highlighted with tracks like "Little Ghetto Boy" by Donny Hathaway and Baby Huey and the Babysitters' "Hard Times."

Wake Up! also includes John's original composition "Shine," which won a Grammy award for Best R&B Song and is featured in Oscar award winner Davis Guggenheim's domestic education reform documentary Waiting for 'Superman.'

Throughout his career, John has worked to make a difference in the lives of others. In 2007, John Legend launched the Show Me Campaign (ShowMeCampaign.org), an initiative that uses education to break the cycle of poverty.

John was awarded the 2010 BET Humanitarian of the Year award, the 2009 CARE Humanitarian Award for Global Change, the 2009 Bishop John T. Walker Distinguished Humanitarian Service Award from Africare, and the 2012 Harvard Foundation Artist of the Year Award.



John Legend

#### The Dream Realized

DSU Students Attend the Presidential Inauguration of Barack Obama on Martin Luther King Jr. Day

DSU students filled three buses on Monday, January 21, 2013 when the Student Government Association sponsored a trip to Washington, D.C. for the Inauguration of President Barack Obama.

This was an important day in history,

By Kyle Walker

not only because President Obama was inaugurated for a second term, but this day

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President Barack Obama

## DSU Celebrates the Opening of New Food Venues By Allison Hazel

Students, faculty, and staff filled the MLK Jr. Student Center on January 24th for the official grand opening of the Chick- Fil- A and Subway restaurants.

At 10:30 am the introduction and ribbon cutting took place. As the event continued, free samples and prizes were distributed to students. There was also a humorous duel between the DSU Hornet Mascot and the Chick- Fil- A cow mascot.

During the introduction,
DSU president Dr. L. Harry
Williams and Aramark representative Jim Heisler spoke
briefly about the partnership
between Aramark and
Delaware State University.
Furthermore they expressed
their excitement about the
new food venues on campus.

"We have relationships

with over 400 colleges and universities across the country," said Jim Heisler.

Local schools include Widener University, University of Delaware, La Salle University, and Wesley College.

According to the executive director of Dining & Auxiliary services Jeffery DeMoss, DSU's dining committee researched the top restaurant chains in America. Then a survey was conducted asking students to pick 10 of their favorite restaurant chains (based on the dining committee's research). 300 students responded and the top 3 favorite restaurant chains were Chick-Fil-A, Mc Donald's, and Subway.

"Chick- Fil- A and Subway ended up being the best selection based on the input we got from the students and the staff," said Dr. Harry L. Williams. "[In the future] there will be some opportunities for different venues to serve us as the population of the university expands," he added.

Students can also expect renovations to Conrad Hall as well as the Village Café. Jeffery DeMoss is planning to have several pods (food stations) in Conrad Hall, such as a salad bar towards the entrance. There will also be a pod that carries pizza, pasta, and other hot meals. A pod with cold foods will be added as well. Renovations are projected to begin this summer. Thus far, students are happy with changes in food services at the university.

### DSU Reflections: The King Center Imaging Project 2013

#### By Alexis Press

Martin Luther King Jr. has been a well-loved and highly respected activist for America's black race for over fifty years.

From his birth in 1929, to his tragic death in 1968, he has inspired others to make a difference in our nation.

Today, he gives us the power and inspiration to dream big and overcome any obstacle. King also gave us a touch of our identity and self-worth.

I've grown to respect where I've come from and better understand the hardships and sacrifice it took to get me where I am today.

Living with love and equality is merely what King wanted not just for himself, but for everyone.



Teryn Chamberlain and Morgan Barber hold dream cards at the King Center Imaging Project Exhibit in the DSU Martin Luther King Student Center.

#### **Hornet Staff**

#### Mission Statement:

The Hornet newspaper is a transitioning media publication, devoted to informing, enlightening, educating, and entertaining the Delaware State University community. We aim to become a nationally recognized publication; one of the top in the nation.

#### Goal.

To produce a relevant, timely, accurate, and balanced publication that will attain national prominence.

Follow us on Twitter @ HornetNewsPaper Email: Hornet\_news1@yahoo.com I will continue in his legacy to make this world stay as such. I thank him for letting his dream move our nation this far.

He continues to inspire people to chase their dreams every day, and this exhibit reminded us that.

#### **By Travis Brunson**

The Martin Luther King, Jr. exhibit was an inspiring event to attend.

One fact that was learned from the exhibit was that in 1954, the Supreme Court ended what was called "human captivity" and segregation.

Within the exhibit, there was a summary of the Supreme Court's decision in 1954

The exhibit included a lighted wall to post an "I Have a Dream" message and the actual letter that Martin Luther King, Jr. had written from his jail cell.

The exhibit was important for every student to attend at the university.

I wish the exhibit would have included more information on Dr. King's various marches as they were important in the fight for equality.

The exhibit was certainly worth attending and DSU should continue to have more exhibits on African-American pioneers throughout the school year.

#### By Essence Shomo

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. had a dream. In 2013, I can say that Dr. King's vision has been accomplished.

From the Emancipation Proclamation straight down to the Poor Peoples Campaign, the collection consists of Dr. King's most important works, such as the "I Have a Dream" speech, "Letter from Birmingham Jail" and the "Nobel Peace Prize Acceptance Speech."

The program was created to keep his legacy alive and strong, due to his important values. I felt that the MLK display was very intriguing and informative.

It gave me a new insight on Dr. King's views that I hadn't paid much attention to prior to the event.

#### By Amiya Perkins

I, like many others, was able to learn of Dr. King's accomplishments throughout his educational and ministerial career.

Treasured archives such as school transcripts, grade reports, graded essays, and bible notes showed that he was deeply rooted in his faith more than his studies.

Although he left Morehouse College with a degree in sociology, he was able to obtain a master's degree from Crozer Theological Seminary.

With respect to Dr. King, the DSU community will keep their dreams alive and share them worldwide by posting them upon the "My Dream" wall before leaving the exhibit.

#### By Beatrice Wolo

The Martin Luther King Jr. Exhibit manifested a greater appreciation in my heart for all the opportunities and choices African Americans are given today, but were reprimanded for in the past.

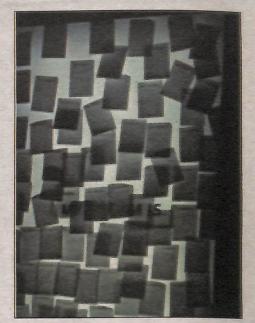
I have a greater admiration for my education because the exhibit made me reflect on the struggle African Americans went through as they strived for equality.

I know that as a student, I take for granted that I am able to attain knowledge.

Through knowledge, I am proud.
Seeing the artifacts about the Emancipation Proclamation and the Thirteenth
Amendment, helped me understand their different motives and how significant these documents meant to the incredulous journey of African Americans on the way

I realize that in order to keep the dream alive, I must believe in my ability to make a difference, just as Dr. King believed in his ability to make a difference in mine.

to freedom.



### Celebrating the Dream

As many braced the icy winter air in Washington D.C,
DSU celebrated the 28th anniversary of
Martin Luther King Jr.'s holiday

By Synquette Wilks

In remembrance of his legacy, DSU honored civil rights activist Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on January 21st in the EH Theater.

"The 28th annual Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday program was a great success," said Brenda Farmer, Director of University Events and Ceremonies, "Particularly since the timing coincided with the inaugural of President Obama."

While many Americans traveled to witness, and others viewed the inauguration of 44th U.S. president Barack Obama from their homes, town and area locals, dignitaries, and university staff and students all gathered for the celebration of Dr. King.

Dignitaries such as Senator Brian Bushweller, Representative Donald Blakey, President Harry



Williams and the first family of Delaware State University were in attendance, along with approximately 350 other guests.

DSU collaborated with the Inner City Cultural League Inc. for this event that showcased an array of performances.

This year's program featured John Moore, Sr., The Sankofa African Dance Company, and Amillion the Poet, followed by a reception the event was free and open to the public.

The program also included a posting of the colors of by the United States Air Force Honor Guard, a musical performance by the Sankofa String Orchestra, and a tribute to the four girls killed in the Alabama church bombing during the civil rights movement by the members of the Mount Zion A.M.E. church.

"My favorite part was the African dancing," said Junior Whitney Alves, a psychology major, "It was nice to be reminded of Martin Luther King's accomplishments and his striving for peace and equality for all people," she said.

"It was overall a prodigious collaborative effort of Delaware State University and the Inner City Cultural League, Inc." Farmer said.



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also happened to be Martin Luther King Day.

Upon arrival at about 8:30 a.m., students were intrigued by the atmosphere of the city. While this event was open to the public, tickets were required to be able to actually see the swearing-in ceremony in person. There were big screens set up for those who did not have tickets to watch the ceremony.

"Even though I wasn't up close, I really enjoyed being out there," said junior Eric Snead.

The ceremony, which began at 11:30 a.m., included performances by Kelly Clarkson, James Taylor, and Beyonce, but many students missed out due to the long lines to get through security.

"I really wanted to see Obama's speech, which is the main reason why I went to the inauguration," said sophomore Randell McCray.

Even though this disappointed the students, they got through security in time for the parade, and seeing President Obama ride through the parade made

"Being able to see Obama in person was cool though," said McCray.

After a long day, DSU students left Washington, D.C. with an experience that they will treasure for the rest of their lives.

#### **BLACK HISTORY MONTH** 2013 AT DELAWARE STATE UNIVERSITY

Delaware State University will feature the follow events and exhibitions during the 2013 Black History Month:

- Feb. 1-28 Throughout the month of February, A Month Long MLK In Motion display that will feature a motivating Gallery Walk of Inspiring pictures and quotes from famous African American men and women in the 1st floor lobby and the 2nd floor mezzanine of the MLK Student
- Thursday, Feb. 7 at 7 p.m. -- A Django Unchained Discussion Forum will be held in the Education & Humanities Theatre on campus. A dialogue will take place between a guest panel and the audience over the myriad of themes and topics that are given rise by the Quentin Taratino film, such as the cinematic portrayal of slavery, the economics of moviemaking for black and white filmmakers, and the effectiveness or the shortcomings of the conveyance in films of aspects of history.
- · Saturday, Feb. 9 at 7 p.m. .Ain't I a Woman play performance by Mrs. Margot Emery in the Education & Humanities Theatre. The production is a musical and theatrical celebration of four renowned African American women: Zora Neale Hurston, Clementine Hunter, Sojourner Truth, and Fannie Lou Hamer.
- Thursday, Feb. 14 at 11 a.m. The 2013 DSU Founders Day Celebration in the Education & Humanities Theatre will feature a program that will highlight and tell the local black history stories of the University's 10 permanent presidents and two acting presidents.
- Thursday, Feb. 27 at 7 p.m. An Evening With John Legend, R&B and Hip Hop singer and songwriter, in the Memorial Hall Gymnasium on campus. Ticket information TBA. For more info, visit the DSU website at www.desu.edu.

#### World Renowned Nutritionist Comes to DSU

By Kyonna Forges

On Thursday January 25, a famous health guru came to Delaware State to inspire students to get fit and eat healthy.

Dr. Rovenia Brock is from Washington, D.C and at the age of 9, she lost her mother to stomach cancer.

Dr. Ro's family did not practice healthy eating habits which lead her to study nutri-

"I wanted to make a difference first in my own family, then in my community",

Brock has done everything from hosting "Heart and Soul" on BET to writing her own book, Dr. Ro's 10 Secrets to Livin' Healthy.

"Everyone should have a bible, then next to it, 10 Secrets to Livin' Healthy", Dr. Ro said.

There are some quick tips that college students should consider including into their everyday lives.

For example, take advantage of the wellness center, drink ounces of water that amounts to half of your total weight, and make 50 percent of your plate consist of colorful fruits and veg-

Brock says, "The sooner you start to take care of yourself, the better you ensure your health down the line."

As a senior citizen, Dr. Ro spends her down time walking around her farm land, traveling to Caribbean beaches, writing poetry, and spending time with her husband.

My husband is my best friend", she

Be on the lookout for Dr. Ro's new book, You Happy and Healthy.



Dr. Rovenia Brock

### Feeling Stressed or Hopeless? DSU's Counseling Center Can Help!

The killer of the Sandy Hook Elementary School students, the murderer on the Virginia Tech campus, and the boys in the Columbine shooting all had severe mental and emotional illnesses that could have been helped with mental health counseling.

That kid who hurts himself, as well as the girl who went into a depression after breaking up with a boyfriend can get help through counseling as well.

Students at DSU may go through mental or emotional situations that can negatively interfere with their daily school work.

DSU's Counseling Center is available to help these students for free.

The Counseling Services Department is available to help students to maintain good emotional and mental health.

The Director of Counseling Services and Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Ralph Robinson stated, "This Counseling Center is very warm, welcoming, and friendly. Our staff has a lot of experience in human behavior, and we are all professionally trained in counseling techniques."

Students who have questions can visit the Counseling Office, located in the Education and Humanities Center, room 123.

The office is open Mondays through Fridays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Students can also call the office at 302-857-7381.



Director, Ralph Robinson

There is also an after hour's counselor available at (302) 857-7911.

The Center offers three different types of services: individual counseling, student personal development workshops and crisis intervention.

Individual counseling is a one-on-one counseling session with one of the counselors where students can discuss anything from an overwhelming academic course load, to hope to cope with a death.

The student personal development workshops are group counseling sessions that may focus on stress management, conflict resolution, sexual assault prevention and communication skills.

No matter the form of counseling one receives, the most important aspect of it is a student's privacy.

The staff in the counseling department makes confidentiality their number one priority.

A promise to maintain each student's privacy is in their ethical code, and if it's broken, the counselors can be sanctioned.

DSU students are automatically assigned to one of the four counselors, according to

The counselors include: Director, Ralph Robinson; the Associate Director, Pauline Meek; Counselor II, Michael Monk; and Counselor I, Leroy Rush.

All of the counselors are qualified professionals with master's degrees.

In addition to professional

By Jasmine Ford

counselors, peer counselors are also available.

The peer counselors are DSU students who were trained by the staff to counsel their peers.

The Sexual Assault Response Advocates, are also known as SARAs are also available to students who have been harmed sexually.

#### Dr. Steve Perry Visits DSU

By Kyle Walker

Renowned educator and television personality, Dr. Steve Perry, visited DSU on Monday, January 28, 2013 for an event hosted by Men's Council in the Martin Luther King Student Center.

Dr. Perry, who is best known for the TV One show Save My

Dr. Steve Perry Son, spoke on the importance of education and that black students should believe that they can compete with students of other races.

'We as a community have been conditioned to believe that there's something wrong with us," said Dr. Perry.

He also spoke about how a person's appearance can give employers the wrong idea. Some examples that he used to explain this were young men who sag their pants and young women who wear clothes that are revealing.

"In your profession, everybody's watching," said Dr. Perry. In addition to being seen on television, he is also the principal and founder of Capital Preparatory Magnet School in Hartford, CT. He explains that his ultimate goal was to help children and it took him about a year to finally agree to do Save My Son.

"I never set out to do television," said Dr. Perry. After one season, Save My Son was cancelled due to a lack of viewership, but Dr. Perry will continue to educate young students and help them make it to college.

### Future renovations to the Commuter Lounge

By Kyle Turner

In the coming months, you can expect to see the start of renovations to improve the commuter lounge in the MLK.

The voice of some students stirred the attention of Kamal Atkins, Vice President of Student Affairs.

"Over the summer, students got together and told me they wanted a place to belong, relax, and just "have a home away from home," said Atkins.

The coming renovations to the commuter lounge will be in the quiet lounge according to Atkins.

"The renovations will be in the quiet lounge. We are going to put in some TVs, new furniture, study table, a place to eat, high-top tables, individual and group projects and install some lockers for

students to put their stuff. This will give these students a chance to be more involved with what is happening on campus."

It seems like the administration at Delaware State is making strides to make every students' experience an enjoyable one.

"We want all of the students to know we do care and we do listen. We want to make every one of our students' experience here a great one because we want all of you to succeed," said Atkins.

Some students are optimistic about the future renovations.

"I think the new renovations to the lounge will definitely make it more homie and relaxing," said Vaughn Maiden, junior. "I feel like it's a good idea to improve the commuter lounge," said Tim Young.

Stay tuned for improvements to the commuter lounge.



Kamal Atkins

# Ask and Receive: Chick-Fil-A and Subway Come to Campus

By Jenayah Mathis Minnigan and Sejal Mehra

There is a different feel now as you walk into the Martin Luther King Student Center.

Is it just because it is a fresh new semester? Or could it be because of the phenomenal

student-selected new food vendors? You asked for it and you got it!

"Out of the top ten food services selected to grace the campus of Delaware State University, Chick-Fil-A was number one, McDonalds was number two, and Subway was number three. Awesome enough, Delaware State now has two out of the three," says Executive Director of dining and auxiliary, Jeff Demoss.

Both food services are now located in the Student Center. The Grill Works station will remain, although alongside it is now Chick-Fil-A. The Hub convenience store has been renamed The Pod, and now houses Subway, including its entire menu.

Previously, the campus had other food services such as Checkers and Austin Grill, but with the newly signed vendors, Delaware State University will now have a healthy and student- selected choice of eateries.

"I think that the student center will now be way more alive. I'm excited for what's to come, but as a senior it's bittersweet," says Shaina Hatchell.

However some students were more unhappy



than grateful. Students and faculty who have a meal plan usually have a range of meals between 5 and 19 meals per week, with 135 points in "flex" dollars. Flex dollars are used when equivalency meals aren't used: late night meals, and purchases from other small stores such as the Hub and Marketplace. Most students were disappointed on the first day of classes, when they found out that Chick-Fil-A Express and Subway only take Flex points or transactions by cash or credit cards.

"I don't feel like my meal plan is going to waste, I just feel that with the amount that we pay for a meal plan, we should have equivalency at both places or it should be cheaper than what it is, and Chick-Fil-A should add the milkshakes to the menu," says Junior Alexis Anderson. Anderson was happy about the addition to the campus, but upset because she doesn't like the food at the Grille Works, and knows that she can only

use 100 flex points per semester. Most meals use about 6 points in total, which can run out in one semester very quickly.

Some may agree or disagree, but on the first day of the spring semester there were a lot of confused faces at the front of the line at Chick-Fil-A and Subway. Michael Coger is a full scholarship athlete at DSU, who is given 19 meals a week, plus the 100 flex points.

"It doesn't faze me much because it's all free anyway, but using our actual meal plan equivalency instead of flex would be better because the flex will run out quicker than we expect it to," states Coger.

Regardless, students are raving about the new food vendors and consider them to be an exciting and significant addition to Delaware State University.

"Having Chic-Fil-A and Subway on campus has been one of the highlights of my entire four years at DSU," says senior Tynisha Owens.

# Passing the Tiara

Campus Queen Quira Parker Helps Underprivileged High School Girls Feel Like Royalty On Their Prom Night.



For reigning Miss Sophomore Quira Parker, the term "community service" is a drastic understatement to describe her altruistic, philanthropic, and charitable efforts over the past two years.

Quira Parker is the CEO and founder of the Fairy God Sisters of Delaware, a nonprofit organization founded in January 2011 that gives local underprivileged girls something that many high school seniors take for granted: the chance to attend their prom.

"It began as my platform focus as Miss Honors Student Association. A prom is a rite of passage too important for any young lady to miss. We ensure young women in our community are able to realize the positive life experience surrounding attending their prom regardless of their financial and family situations," says

The over thirty Delaware State University students and countless other students on the East coast that are members call themselves P.E.A.R.L.S, Poised, Elegant and Responsible Leaders. These P.E.A.R.L.S not only help the girls attend their prom, they serve as mentors and role models as well.

"The overall goal of this organization is to guide and assist young ladies of every



Healing a Hurting Humanity Wand of Wishes Toy Drive

By Jasmine Manley



**Bountiful blessings** 

race by enlightening them on the importance of receiving a higher education, understanding the power we as women hold, and building a sister-like bond," Quira states

The Fairy God Sisters of Delaware do not only host prom dress drives, they have also hosted community service events such as Tools for School, where over 7,000 school supplies were collected and distributed to local churches and other nonprofit organizations last year. The Fairy God Sisters have organized multiple other toy drives, food drives, and clothing drives that reached out to local underprivileged children, families, and recovering addicts.

The Fairy God Sisters of Delaware will soon partner with The Formal Dress Project of Wilmington, DE and the Women's Senate to hold their *Once upon a Prom-Prom Fair* on February 16, 2013 in the Martin Luther King Student Center Parlor A from 9am-5pm. The organization will soon add a men's chapter as well, The God Brothers, which is still in its formative stages.

When asked what accomplishments of her organization she is most proud of, a humble Quira mentions the dedication of the other members.

"The willingness of these young women to help heal a hurting humanity, with just the sacrifice of their time, has made us the most proud. We have inspired students not just to exist but to LIVE."

### 121st DSU Commencement, 1st December Commencement Class of 2012 Graduates Remember Historical Graduation

DSU held its first December graduation December 15th 2012 in the Memorial Hall gymnasium.

Approximately 200 students received degrees.

The university's first group of doctoral students in Applied Chemistry received degrees as well.

During the Dec. 15 ceremony, President Harry L. Williams presented Megan Reno with the Presidential Academic Excellence Award.

This award is given to a student who receives the highest honor of Summa Cum Laude with a 4.0 grade point average.

"We have paved the way for the future Delaware State University graduates," said Reno who earned a BS in Elementary Education and is the recipient of the award.

"To be part of the first December commencement makes it an even greater honor", said Reno, when asked how it feels to not only be a graduate but a graduate in the first ever December commencement

In addition to maintaining her academics, Reno was involved in other extracur-



ricular activities.

"During my time at DSU I was involved with the 'Teachers in Progress' program and Kappa Delta Pi, which were exclusively for education majors," she said

"I also worked in the Supplemental Instruction lab (SI) and volunteered off campus with different elementary schools in Delaware."

She credits hard work to be the driving force for how she was able to maintain her academics and social life.

"I wanted to make sure that I was treating school like it was my job, and that I was doing the best that I could," said Reno.

"Something that I've learned at Del State that I will always remember is be willing to learn from everything and everyone," she said, "College has the opportunity to be a huge learning experience, if you take the time to make it that."

Former Hornet newspaper writer, and head mentor for DSU's Aspire program December graduate Kimberly Rogers-Moon said at DSU she learned that if she believes and puts her best foot forward then she has no choice but to make her mark on the world.

"I feel good," said Rogers-Moon, "Not only did I graduate in the first class, but I graduated in three years and not a lot of people can say that."

Now a graduate student at Georgetown University she plans to further her career in communications.

Rogers-Moon earned a degree in Mass Communications with a concentration in Convergence Journalism. By Synquette Wilks

As a mentor, she advised that while students are still pursuing their studies at DSU to learn who they are and stand firm on their vision.

"You are going to be the one to get you to the finish line," Rogers-Moon said, "People will try to shake you, but if you stand firm they won't be able to break you."

Another DSU December graduate Malik Foster said he enjoyed being a part of the December commencement.

"It feels great to be in the record books as the first fall graduating class in Delaware State University's history," said Foster.

As a political science student, Foster was involved in various activities such as Young Democrats, The Latino Students Association, and served as an intern for Delaware Congressman John Carney.

Foster states that during his time at DSU he learned that, "Pursing excellence without excuses can lead to more success than constant complaining."

**Edward Doxen** 

### What's Buzzin in The Hive

### Thanks for Your Support!

WDSU Radio, "The Hive," extends heartfelt "THANKS" to everyone who helped with our second annual "Warm Coats, Warm Hearts" coat drive. Together, we collected nearly 400 coats that were distributed among several homeless shelters locally.

### The Hive Wants You!

The Hive is staffed and managed by student Hornets and open to all majors. Requirements: Minimum 2.5 GPA, an open heart, an open mind, a thirst for learning new stuff, a sense of humor and a team-spirited attitude...All music genres & interests welcome—technical, creative, writers, talkers. STOP by! ETV Building, first floor; e-mail aperrine@desu.edu to learn how to help.

#### Show Host Application Deadlines, Coming UP

Friday, February 15th is the deadline to apply for a show host position with WDSU Radio. Applications are available at the station (ETV Bldg., first floor)

### General Staff Meeting Schedule

Want to meet members of the Hive? Want to learn about what we do? Attend a meeting! The Hive's general staff meetings are held biweekly, second floor, MLK Student Center@ 6:30 p.m. Following is the spring 2013 general meeting schedule: Feb.21; March 7; March 28; April 11; April 25. Follow us on Twitter @ WDSURadio

#### "Da Buzz" in the Hive

Daneisha Cromwell, Hive News Director, is feverishly working on "Da Buzz" WDSU's brand new blog which is set to be unveiled--soon. Help is needed. Writers, photographers, stringers, web designers...are welcome. Contact: dccromwell10@students.des u.edu

#### It's Still Quiet in the Hive...

Back by popular demand, the Hive presents "The Quiet Zone,"-- softer music for study and concentration. Mondays-Thursdays, 7:00-8:00 p.m. GET YOUR STUDY ON!

### Welcome Back! Boys & Girls Club

The Hive welcomes back the campus' Boys & Girls Club students who will be joining us again throughout the semester on Wednesdays, 5-6:00 p.m.

As always make sure you all tune in to Channel 15, WDSU Radio, The Hive!

#### Student Spotlight: Edward Doxen

By Scheniqua Earle

"Leadership is action, not position" quotes the great Donald McGannon, and junior Edward Doxen is a fitting example of what leadership consists of.

Since his freshmen year Mr. Doxen had the idea of beginning a student organization, and had no idea how to go about it.

His perseverance and determination finally paid off in his sophomore year, when he got approved to start his own organization.

With the help of senior Adrian Sutton, the DMV club was created; DMV representing District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia.

The organization took into effect fall semester of last year "I wanted to start this club to help motivate students from DC area (District of Columbia) because we (DC) have the highest dropout rate, and I wanted to do something about that..." says Mr. Doxen.

Do not think for one second just because this club represents a certain area, there are only students from those areas active. "Our organization is very diverse. We have students from all over – like New York, New Jersey...we also have to foreign exchange students as well." The DMV club is persistent in informing others about DC culture – as far as fashion, food, and politics go.

Mr. Doxen stops at nothing to make his mark on the world, and he made that first footprint when he decided to start this organization.

"When starting an organization just make sure you have a reason along with passion [behind it]...," said Doxen.

Look out for Mr. Doxen and the DMV club giving us students another reason to continue to support our fellow hornets.

When asked: "What is one thing he would like students to remember about Edward Doxen" he responds: "Good question:...I just want students to remember that I care about people. I never judge and I am always there to help someone at any given time..." Now that is exactly how a leader responds.

## Filmmakers Challenge Republicans to Diversify

Director Kevin J.
Williams and Producer
Tamara E. Williams are
challenging the Republican
National Committee leadership to announce its
plans for Party outreach in
urban and minority communities in a film, The
Fear of a Black Republican.

The film examines why there are so few minority Republicans and how this affects the U.S. political system.

Dr. Raymond Tutu, a

DSU Global Studies professor is also a black Republican.

Dr. Tutu said, "African Americans were primarily Republicans years ago and they went with whichever party fought for their civil rights."

In order for Republicans to win black voters over, they need to be sensitive and open to all people, not by talking but by actions," said Tutu.

The filmmakers found that today, barely 10% of

African Americans consider themselves to be Republican and urban areas are no longer considered competitive parts of America's election map.

"Our experiences as Republicans in an urban area inspired us to make our film and try to help make the GOP a better party.

We found that many people of all political stripes and demographics are being ignored by both political parties. This situation must change and change now.

The Republican Party at the national, state and local levels must stop being afraid and start working now to improve its standing with urban voters and minority voters.

Our party cannot lose in 2014 and 2016.

If it does, then it will just be a matter of time until it goes out of existence and joins the Whig Party on the ash heap of history," said Director, Kevin Williams.

The film includes interviews with scholars and Republican leaders such as: Professors Cornel West and Howard Taylor; former Chairman of the Republican National Committee, Michael Steele; Presidential Candidates, Mitt Romney, Mike Huckabee and John McCain; former Governor, Christine Todd Whit-

man, and many others.

Beginning in his hometown, Williams speaks with Democrats and Republicans and takes a personal,

yet humorous look at: his own party's efforts in urban areas versus the suburbs, the Democratic Party's success in retaining the African American vote, and what today's black Republicans mean for America.

By Marcia Blockson

Fear of a Black Republican has been seen by diverse audiences in many. American cities.

It gives audiences of all demographics and political persuasions a ground-breaking and moving view of current American politics.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### **DSU Inauguration Trip** to Washington D.C Fails

On Monday, January 21, 2013, our 44th President Barack Obama was sworn in for his second term in Washington D.C. DSU organized a bus trip for the students to attend the inauguration, little did they know that things were going to be a lot harder to accomplish than expected. The inauguration began at approximately 11:00 am and the parade began at 2:00 pm.

There were about 140 tickets that were sold, which required three buses for the trip, but only about 75 showed up to attend the trip. The students were told to come to the flag poles and that the buses would leave at 6:00 am, but as usual nothing happens on time and the bus did not leave until 6:45 am.

The bus ride took about two hours and the students were dropped off at the Union Station, which was about 10 blocks away from the sight of the parade. The students walked the streets of D.C., just by following the rest of the crowd into the city.

With no direction of where to go, the students ended up splitting up into separate groups looking for a way to get into the inauguration, but they soon found out that a ticket was needed in order to watch the inauguration and that the money they paid to DSU was just for a ride to Washington D.C.

Students stood in line for about six hours to try and see the parade. It was about 35 degrees and the fight to get into the gates was critical. Some students waited, some left because they got too

By Sejal Mehra

tired, and others left because they did not have any cellular reception due to all of the people using similar carriers at one time.

Roe Bullock, a junior at Delaware State, was disappointed because he ended up sitting in the train station for most of the time after he saw how long the line was to enter the parade.

"My issue with the trip was not being able to see the speech delivered in person. I would have to say DSU did not fulfill the expectations I had and being able to see the President would have been fulfilling," said Bullock.

As for another student, whose trip was well worth it, Chascidy Reeves was able to see the President and her opinion on the trip was slightly different than Roe's.

"I should've been warned that there was a possibility that I wouldn't get to see Obama so I wouldn't have been in high expectation. I did see Obama at the parade, but I was a little sad that he drove by in his car, but seeing his smiling face filled me with joy and I knew it was a once in a lifetime experience to see my President in person after waiting for over three hours," said Reeves.

Next time, DSU should tell the students that a trip to a presidential inauguration is only a trip to Washington D.C. because most students missed out on the entire speech and couldn't watch it at all because they were stuck waiting.

#### "Maybe it is the Maybelline..."

Dear Editor,

Have you ever been sick and unable to kick the symptoms for weeks?

Have you had the flu with coughing and sneezing for weeks, even after feeling back to normal?

Naturally, we clean everything we can think of to rid our lives of the germs that caused the illness and use medicine or any help we can find.

But did you ever think about the personal grooming products used when you were ill?

I am writing to help my fellow Hornet get through this tough cold and flu season.

Illnesses are caused by microbes or bacteria that are introduced to our immune system from our environment and we collect them on our skin externally or internally when we breathe, for example.

Naturally as time goes on, your body will learn how to adapt and overcome the virulent germs and microbes that invaded your body and at the risk of feeling terrible for a few days, the body will overcome.

The body moves on and so can you.

The real problem is that the grooming tools used while we were sick do not have the same defense mechanisms as the human body.

Bacteria love warm, wet, and dark places especially.

Ladies, think of the items in your beauty regiment.

By Logan French
DSU Nursing Major

The mascara, lip liners, and any liquid make-up that you used when sick may have an applicator.

Germs are always looking for new places to grow and breed so they will take any chance they can get.

During application, they will be transferred or cross contaminated to the container the product comes in through the applicator.

The bug will then incubate in the product and allow the chance for you to be re-infected every time you use the product after being sick.

Guys may not use make-up, but toothbrushes are a harbinger for disease causing germs as you use them while sick.

The best thing that you can do to promote a healthy environment after being in poor health is to toss all the personal hygiene products you used to prevent the spread or cross contamination of others and yourself.

This will prevent you from reintroducing the bug back into your body and allowing you to move on and enjoy a healthier life.

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### DSU Alum and NFL Scout Khary Darlington Living His Dream

By Kyle Turner

Khary Darlington is a scout for the NFL's Carolina Panthers. He has held the position for the last 10 years.

"I love my job because it gives me an opportunity to travel the world. There have been maybe three states in the U.S. that I haven't worked in or visited. I have been pretty fortunate," said Darlington.

A small town kid with a big time dream, Darlington is a native of Dover, Del.

In the late 90s, he attended Dover High School where he was a successful athlete.

During his time as a senator, he played the positions of running back and safety.

After high school, he enrolled at the Naval Academy. "I felt that enrolling there would present a great opportunity for me, but after a few weeks I realized that it wasn't right for me," Darlington said.

Darlington transferred to the University of Maryland, but like the Naval Academy, he decided to leave Maryland to return home to attend DSU.

Darlington finished his college career at DSU where he played football for the Hornets as their free safety. He majored in public relations and was a member of the Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA).

"Khary was a great public relations major. One year, he and his roommate, Jamar Jeffers, represented DSU at a PR Bootcamp in Atlanta. They were both chosen as spokespersons for the two competing teams in the



**Khary Darlington** 

event," said Dr. Marcia Taylor, his former public relations professor.

Darlington added, "I have had the chance to experience both sides of the coin. I have been a part of the big universities and HBCU life. I can tell you, there is nothing like the HBCU experience. Nothing tops it."

Khary began seeking a career as a NFL scout after

graduating from DSU. His dream became a reality when he turned 24 and the rest is history.

Darlington said, "The road to get to the top of your craft is never easy. Hard work and perseverance will prevail in the end.

If you don't have an idea where you want to go in life, just take time to be honest with yourself," he said.

"While you're young, find out what you like and be absolutely honest with yourself. Find something you are passionate about and chase it like your life depends on

Hard work is essential. Always stay on your grind. Experience in what you want will eventually get you noticed by people. Stay focused on your dream," said

Whenever he isn't working as a scout, Darlington also has a passion for photography and shooting video. "I have spent the last six years or so with this. I have

worked on different projects with different companies. I have written scripts for documentaries and reality

shows. I also have been a part of the final process of getting the story out.

I have worked with Nia Long, Lisa Raye, and recently with The Game last October.

Eight to nine months of the year, I'm a scout while the other three or four months are focused on my other passion," said Darlington.

#### **Delaware State** Women's Bowling Team

By Jennifer Creno

The Delaware State Women's Bowling team is looking to capture another MEAC Championship this season. Seniors, Nicole Bower and Ashlen Kuhar are prepared to lead the Lady Hornets in doing just that.

Currently mid-season our Lady Hornets are posting a record just over .500 at 31-29.

The Lady Hornets will be hosting their home tournament, The Capital Classic, the weekend of February 8-10th. Students and staff are urged to come out and support our Lady Hornets that weekend at Brunswick Doverama Lanes located at 1600 S Governors Ave, Dover, DE 19904.



In photograph: Nicole Bower Senior

#### **DSU Women's Lacrosse** Gears Up for Inaugural Season

By Andrew Ross

What athlete wouldn't want to go to an established team to play a sport, rather than starting from scratch on a brand new team?



Emily Peets is a junior at Delaware State University (DSU) studying physical education, and she looks to lead the Hornets to a successful inaugural season in women's lacrosse.

"I toured the school and really liked it. The people were really nice and I loved the coach. I wanted to be a part of a team that was just beginning so I could be a part of history," said Peets on why she chose DSU.

Being the very first team at DSU is a special thing, "I love it. We are the first girls to come through and we all formed a bond that not many will every form," Peets ex-

A new sport could be a bust for any school, but Peets believes DSU will embrace lacrosse. "I think it will have a huge impact on DSU ... most people have heard of it, but not many have really watched it," Peets followed her thought with, "I think there needs to be more acceptance of a new sport. Many people are hesitant about new things."

When the season is over, Peets wants people to be proud of what her team did. "Even if we have a winning or losing season, I want people to look back and notice how hard we worked for everything we accomplished and how nothing was handed to us."

#### DSU vs. Howard

By Kyle Walker

Delaware State's men's basketball team improved to 7-10 with a commanding victory at home against the 4-17 Howard Bison by a score of

The Hornets were led in scoring by sophomore guard Tahj Tate, who scored a game-high 19 points, on 8-for-11 from the field. The team also had its best performance from the free throw line, shooting 13-for 13.

The Hornets strong defense held Howard to only 27.3% shooting from the field for the game, that included a meager 13.3% in the second half. The victory also marked DSU's fifteenth consecutive win against Howard in Memorial Hall, a streak which dates back to the 1994-95 season.

At this point last season, the Hornets' record was 4-1 before the team went on an eight-game winning streak to finish the season 15-14 and almost win the MEAC Conference. Assistant coach Arthur Tyson believes that the team is on the right track this season. "We have the potential to go on another little win streak to put us where we want to be in the MEAC," said Tyson.

DSU begins a two-game road trip on Saturday, Feb. 1st when they face Bethune-Cookman at 4:00 p.m. They return home on February 2 against North Carolina Central, also starting at 4:00 p.m.

### "How do you like the new food dining services at DSU?"

Compiled By Kyrstal Francis



Sahara Hently, Mass Communications, Junior,-" I believe that the Chickfila and Subway is a great addition to DSU.'



Anjeu Henry, Mass Communications, Junior-" I'm a commuter but tice, Junior-"I love Chickfila and I think there's now good choices on campus because Chickfila is popular and Subway is healthy.



Brittany Smith, Criminal Jus-Subway on campus! I'm really excited about the news of it coming



Madeline Porter, Spanish Major, Senior-"The food is horrible, I preferred Thompson Hospitality and the food should be better



Roland Devries, Mass Communications, - "The new food choices are too expensive on campus. The Chick-fil-a on campus is more expensive than the one up the street."



### Tips, Tricks and Advice for Valentine's Day



By Ronee' Thomas

To make your V- Day one to remember, here are some quick tips, tricks, and advice for guys and girls:

- Cleanliness is next to godliness and using cologne or perfume is always a plus.
- Ladies do not wear your fabulous smokey eye makeup; guys tend to prefer the more natural look with makeup, so keep it simple and pretty.
- 3. Less is more, if you're causally dating someone, or in the beginning stages of dating you can do something thoughtful like leav-

ing a rose on her car windshield.

- If you are going out to dinner, call ahead to make sure the wait is not excessive. Go someplace you've both have not been, so you can experience it together.
- 5. A romantic gesture is to go to wherever your first date was.
- 6. Staying in is always a great idea because every restaurant is sure to be crowded. Cooking, wine, and alone time is always a beautiful thing.
- 7. Rose petals are very beautiful to look at, but a pain to clean up, so add some candles and stem roses to lessen the cleanup time the next day.

8. If you're in a long distance relationship, get your sexy on and have a skype, facetime, or Ovoo date.

Most importantly when

you're with your special someone do each other a favor and turn your phones off; giving your significant other your full attention is a must.

10. Happy Valentine's Day!





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United States Institute of Peace Public Education Program for Peace building presents Lecture Series on:

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Guest Speaker: Gustavo Delgado R&D Chief, Bureau of Conflict and Stabilization Operations

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Longwood Auditorium, Bank of America Building Delaware States University Campus

When?

Topic I - February 7, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. Topic II - February 28, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.



Topic III - March 21, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m.

All students, faculty, staff, and public are encouraged to attend this lecture series.





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### How Safe is DSU Campus?

By Amanda Alexander and India Lee

With all of the violence going on around the country today, how safe are students on the Delaware State University campus? Back in December of 2012, the most horrific school shooting happened at Sandy Hooke Elementary School.

"This was definitely a tragedy and affected everybody to some degree," said Sgt. Dominick Campalone.

Sgt. Campalone also stated that no parent should ever have to bury their son or daughter before them.

Just last week, Lone Star College in Houston, TX had a shooting, but had taken precaution months prior to this incident so that students and faculty would always be prepared.

"Chief Harry Downes is



**Campus Security** 

working on an emergency preparedness plan for students and faculty to practice," said Sgt. Campalone.

He also stated that more officers are being assigned to different dormitories on campus and officers will be walking through the Administration Building because of the anxiety of long lines

and frustration that people can build up.

Here at DSU, there are frequent robberies, which the students get notifications of through email. Many question what is being done to counteract campus crime.

"I don't feel like we're safe here, at least not anymore with all of these robberies," said Camille Fletcher, a DSU sophomore.

Lately, on-campus robberies have been occurring regularly in the late hours of the night. Although students should know better than to walk alone in the dark, many simply disregard the advice and become vulnera-

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In the MLK Parlors

# Miss Sophomore Organizes Prom Dress Drive

#### By Allison Hazel

In the MLK parlors on Saturday Feb 16th, Miss Sophomore, Quira Parker and The Fairy God Sisters of Delaware and the Formal Dress Project Inc. organization put together a prom dress drive for local high school girls. Several organizations such as PRSSA, FLIP, RHA, and Alpha Kappa Alpha Inc. etc. came out to lend a helping hand. There was also an appearance by Miss Cheney University and Miss Middletown USA.

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# "The Progression" Prepared for Leadership Succession

#### By Daneisha Patterson-Cromwell

As Student Government Association President Shelbe Hudson and Vice President Isaiah McCoy come to the end of their terms, other prospective elected student leaders begin to prepare for perhaps one of the most exciting times of the academic school year – elections.

Just a few weeks ago, prospective elected student leaders were invited to attend mandatory interest meetings where they would receive all of the information needed to start the election processes.

"Elected student leader positions require a commitment to excellence that will promote the vision and embody the core values of Delaware State University," stated Kamillah J.P. Lewis associate director of the Office of Student Leadership and Activities.

There are a total of 48 positions to fill for the 2013-2014 school term.

On campus, student leaders represent the student body

before faculty, administration, staff, and University guests.

Off campus, student leaders represent Delaware State University before the world.

With this in mind, one may wonder what is required of someone looking to run for office.

All prospective student leaders running for Student Government Association, Residence Hall Association, Royal Court, and College Representative must have a cumulative grade point average of 2.90 or higher.

All students looking to run for Mister and Miss DSU must be a rising senior with a cumulative grade point average of a 3.0 or higher.

All students must be in good standing with Judicial Affairs.

Students are also required to submit two letters of reference from DSU faculty, administrator or staff.

Elections for 2013 kick off on Monday, March 25th

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### Delaware State Education Association Forms DSU Chapter

By Jasmine Manley



A student registers with DSEA Liaison Tammy Wagner on site at the induction ceremony.

DSU Education majors have an exciting new opportunity: there is now a student chapter of the Delaware State Education Association right here on campus.

Previously known as the Teachers in Progress Club or T.I.P, this student organization has been reborn and has emerged as D.I.R.E.C.T. Teachers Association (D.T.A.). The name comes from the standards of DSU's Education Department's Professional Education Unit Model. D=Diversity, I=Interpersonal Communication, R=Reflection, E=Effective



NEA Member Benefits Specialist Kimberly Lindsey informs new member Raykeem Ward of the numerous perks that come with being an NEA/DSEA member.



Frederika Jenner, DSEA President, speaking to the new inductees.

Teaching and Assessment Strategies, C=Content and Pedagogical Knowledge, and T=Technology.

D.T.A.'s decision to become a student chapter of the Delaware State Education Association (DSEA) comes from the wealth of resources that DSEA and its national affiliate, the National Education Association (NEA) offers its members.

New members were inducted during the Chapter Celebration and Member Recognition Ceremony, which took place on January 30, 2013 in the Martin Luther King Jr, Student Center. Students received words of wisdom from DSEA President, Frederika Jenner, received membership pins and certificates, and were awarded tons of freebies—a perk these students will have

to get used to.

As NEA and DSEA student members, DSU students will be eligible for various discounts and opportunities for professional development at conferences held all over the country.

"We plan on doing big things. Education majors will receive more opportunities than before because of NEA and DSEA!" says chapter president Renee Horn.



DSEA Liaison Tammy Wagner, D.I.R.E.C.T. Teacher's Association Advisor Constance Williams, NEA Member Benefits Specialist Kimberly Lindsey, and the D.I.R.E.C.T. Teachers Association executive board.



Delaware State University NEA/DSEA inductees showing off their certificates of membership alongside DSEA President Frederika Jenner, D.T.A. Advisor Constance Williams, NEA Member Benefits Specialist Kimberly Lindsey, and DSEA Liaison Tammy Wagner

#### Faculty Spotlight: Dr. Frederick K. Asinor

New Dean of the College of Health, Education, and Public Policy Dr. Frederick Asinor discusses his first year at DSU

By Jasmine Manley

In August of 2012, Dr. Frederick Asinor was appointed as the Dean of Delaware State University's College of Health, Education, and Public Policy.

Before his most recent position as an executive director of the Ocular Melanoma Foundation in Washington, D.C., Dr. Asinor had worked everywhere from Johns Hopkins University to Morehouse School of Medicine. However, he sees something different in Delaware State University students.

"Students are a different breed of people. Students are enthusiastic—they come here for a purpose," says Asinor.

Dr. Asinor's strong background in public health, once even working for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, gears him towards advocacy. Asinor plans to use these community projects to move Delaware State University's College of Health, Education, and Public Policy forward.

"One of the things that I, and my department chairs and faculty members decided, was that we would work with the state on it's prevention programs towards the elimination of obesity in the state.



Dr. Frederick K. Asinor

There is a big obesity conference that we're putting up on April 5th and 6th that has world class presenters who will be on campus. Our intention is to create a researched based obesity program here—that people would come here annually to learn new things, to learn about the best practices in the area, and then go back into their communities to impart that knowledge to their citizenry."

Reflecting on his first year here at Delaware State University, Dr. Asinor describes it as "Very challenging, but doable." However, through any trials that Dr. Asinor faces here at DSU, he says that it is the students who keep him going.

"My intentions are to help students achieve their goals and objectives. At the end of it all, if a student can say that because of me, something happened that made them who they are, I think I have done my job."

### **DSU Celebrates Founders Day**

By Kyle Walker

On Thursday, February 14th, DSU held its annual Founders Day celebration in the Education and Humanities Theatre.

Like the previous year, this program celebrated the 12 men who have served as president or acting president throughout the 122-year history of this institution.

"To the students of

DSU, this lesson is for you," said Brenda F. Farmer, director of University Events and Ceremonies.

Farmer also directed the program and served as the mistress of ceremony. Carlos Holmes, director of News Services, wrote the program, while also portraying Dr. William C. Jason, the second and longest

tenured president of DSU.

The presidents were portrayed by students, faculty, and employees of DSU, and one of the notable performances of the program was by Travis Mishoe Sudler I, grandson of the eighth president, Dr. Luna I. Mishoe. Other members of the Mishoe family were also in attendance.

In between the portrayals, there were performances performed by Melody Dale, Kyle Williams, and Kendra Wilson, who performed dances that were popular during each presidential period.

After the portrayal of the presidents and acting presidents, President Harry L. Williams explained how important this program is to DSU.

"Now you know a little bit more about the history of this great institution," said Dr. Williams.

### U.S. Department of State Leads Arab Spring Lecture

By Scheniqua Earle

In conjunction with three DSU professors, Dr. Raymond Tutu, Dr. Ladji Sacko, and Dr. Divyesh Raythatha, Gustavo Delgado who is a research and development chief at the Bureau of Conflict and Stabilization Operations, created a three part lecture series on the Arab Spring and the Non-Violent Conflict Resolution.

The College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences partnered with The United States Institutive of Peace Public Education Program for Peace Building to bring the series to DSU.

Delgado said, every person should be given a chance to define their future, and this is why he focuses on human rights data collection and the documentation of support.

As he discussed the Arab Spring he asked, "What is needed?" and "How do you build civil societies?"

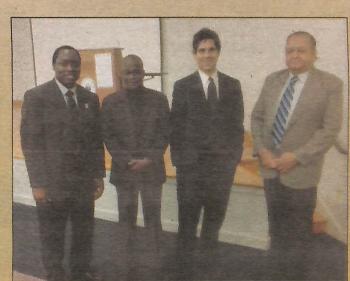
The Arab Spring uprising was due to the people of Syria not getting the proper attention they needed.

An uprising ensued and tensions ran high throughout that country and neighboring countries.

The next lecture is scheduled for February 28 from 11-12:00 p.m. in the Longwood Auditorium in the Bank of America Building.



Actors who portrayed DSU presidents, and Director of ceremonies and Events Brenda Farmer.



(From Left to Right) Dr. Raymond Tutu, Dr. Ladji Sacko, Mr. Gustavo Delgado, and Dr. Divyesh Raythatha

### Chinese New Year Celebrated

By La'Erica Conner-Sims

According to the Chinese New Year, 2013 is the year of the snake. This was very prominent during the celebration that was held on campus earlier this month.

The 2013 Chinese New Year Celebration was hosted by the Chinese Students and Scholars Association. The event was held in the Education and Humanities Theater on Sunday, February 10. It was a free program that was open to the DSU community as well as the local Dover community. The turnout was great and included a mix of students, faculty, families and young children.

There were 21 different

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acts that were performed by various individuals. The audience had a chance to see traditional Chinese dancing, modern Tibetan dancing, and Indian dancing. There was also a special performance of Korean musician PSY's "Gangnam Style," which was performed by DSU Korean students.

Performers from the Korean Baptist Church incorporated snake-like movements into their fan dance, which was highly appreciated by the audience. A dragon parade was also performed by a mix of DSU students at the beginning of the event. This performance is considered

to be a memorable part of Chinese New Year celebrations that are held worldwide.

There were several acts that were performed by children. An Indian dance

was done by a group of students from the Salangai School of Dance. Students from the McIlvaine Early Childhood Learning Center performed "Happy New Year" and Kungfu dances. Community children also did group dances to several songs.

Madeline Porter, a
DSU alum, was also a part
of the show. Porter, along
with Dr. Charlie Wilson,
had a humor-filled skit
which showcased her
skills of the Chinese language. When asked about
what she thought of the
event, Porter said she was

happy to see lots of diversity amongst the students who performed.

"It is nice to see the school change," said Madeline Porter. "DSU is more diversified and has incorporated a lot of students from different cultures."



The closing of the Chinese New Year Celebration held at DSU.

### They came, they saw, they conquered:

DSU students win HBCU Career Marketplace Conference in DC

By Synquette Wilks and Felicia Dorman

Delaware State University students were recognized for their outstanding performance during the 6th Annual HBCU Career Development Marketplace Event; and was awarded the HBCU Career Devel-

opment Marketplace "Tariq Shane Spirit of Professionalism" Award.

Tariq Shane, founder of the HBCU CDM, set a goal to recognize individuals who exemplify the ideals of the positive spirit

(L-r) Kiara Simon, Ronald Hawthorne, Edward Doxen III, Delcina Ramsey,

Levita Lee, Domonique Williams, Mariah Edwards were among the 26 stu-

dents that were honored with the award at the Career Development Mar-

ketplace Conference in Washington, D.C. Felicia Dorman, interim director

of the DSU Office of Career Services, took the students to the conference.

of the HBCU CDM conference.

"I'm so proud of them," said Felicia Dorman, Office of Career Services.

Under the coordination and leadership of Dorman, 19 Seniors, 6 Juniors and 1 Graduate student made up the largest group of students per college out of the 12 HBCUs in attendance.

"Honestly we were the most spirited school and we showed it well," said Senior Gianna Harris, "I'm glad we won."

Harris, a social work major, said she enjoyed the conference and wished the conference lasted longer.

"I had a chance to network and learn some well needed financial information for the future," said Harris, "It was very beneficial to me."

"In preparation for this event, our young professionals worked hard and endured through various tasks I required them to complete," said Dorman. "With the intent to expose them to factors and characteristics that will make them strong, marketable and relevant in the workforce."

The 6th Annual HBCU Career Development Marketplace Event was held

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### Local high school girls get ready for prom at DSU











The Fairy God Sisters of Delaware is the brainchild of Miss Sophomore, Quira Parker. Parker and her volunteers served lunch to guests and distributed tee-shirts and assisted the high school girls with coordinating outfits and dress fittings. Everyone left with a smile on their faces. The Fairy God Sisters of Delaware will hold their next event in March.

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ble to danger.

"I can say that I feel safe during the day time definitely but however, I would never take that walk to the courtyards by myself in the nighttime. That's just too dangerous," said Agnes Everett, a DSU junior.

One student, Kailani
Capote states, "There should
be more security cameras
installed around campus and
also more police should be
posted up in the problem
areas, such as certain residence halls. But at least we
have a closed campus, most
colleges don't have that,"
said Capote, a DSU junior.

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with the Mr. and Mrs. DSU Pageant and Royal Court Speech Night at 7:00 pm in the EH Theater.

This will be followed by SGA and RHA Speech Night on Tuesday, March

26th at 7:00 pm in the MLK Student Center Parlors.

The official campaigning period is from March 26th through April 4th.

Election Day will be Thursday, April 4.

All students are encouraged to go out and vote!

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#### **Delaware State Optic Center Moving Forward in 2013**

By Logan French

Delaware State University has been granted a ten million dollar area of the State Of Delaware budget and the Optic Science Center for Applied Research, or the OSCAR Building will begin construction on campus soon.

The two building structure will be made of glass and steel with a connected walk-way suspended in the air.

The first of three sections of the building will start assembly in 2013.

In this section, 28,630 square feet will be divided

into laboratories and offices for faculty, graduate researchers, biological scientists, and active applied optic researchers.

The plans also include classrooms and a hub fully equipped with the most recent state of the art lasers and technology to discover the powers of light and to present their findings to others.

There have been no setbacks in construction on the first phase and the OSCAR Building is set to be a part of the Delaware State University Skyline in 2015 or 2016.

# Black History Month Spotlight: Gerald A. Lawson

By Krystal Francis

Video games rule the world!

Well, to many smart individuals it does but we have to thank Gerald A. Lawson for the gaming industry that it is today.



Gerald A. Lawson

Without Gerald A. Lawson we

wouldn't have interchangeable cartridge game systems.

Imagine the world where every game system is like an arcade PAC MAN game.

Gerald A. Lawson is the person who made Nintendo 64, Sega, and Playstation possible.

Though these game system kingpins have upgraded their gaming platforms since then, there wouldn't even be Call of Duty if he hadn't revolutionized the industry with this great invention.

By creating an interchangeable gaming cartridge system he made it possible for gamers to play a variety of games, and for game makers to earn a profit by selling individual games.

Gerald Lawson died last year at the age of 70 and the industry is just now recognizing him for his pioneer work.

#### AWARD

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in Washington D.C. from January 30, 2013 to February 1, 2013.

"The two weeks prior to the event was the busiest," said Dorman, "I was receiving text messages and emails asking me to look over their resume revisions all hours of the night, including after midnight. It's a good thing I sleep with my laptop beside my bed."

"But it was all worth it," said Dorman, "I am happy our young professionals were able to see that hard-work does pay off when you're least expected. We had no idea this award existed, but it was well deserved," she said.

The goal for this event is to create a positive experience that will allow HBCU students the opportunity to network with HBCU alumni and seasoned industry professionals, as well as, to acquire valuable knowledge and the tools necéssary to ensure success in corporate America. The conference provides a great deal of information, inspiration and encouragement to motivate young professionals of HBCU's. In addition to Delaware State University, colleges from Georgia, Mississippi, Louisiana, the Carolina's, Virginia and Maryland were present. It is estimated that approximately 200 students of HBCU's were in attendance.

During her speech and upon accepting the award on behalf of the University she said: "I brought 26 fantastic students here, but believe it or not, I have 4000 more back home that are just as good!"

### DSU Jazz Ensemble Shines History Light at Schwartz Center

The Delaware State University Jazz Ensemble was far from disappointing on their outstanding performance this past Saturday night.

Along with the guests sitting in from Wesley College, the ensemble filled the Schwartz Center with powerful music, a great vibe, and poignant reminders of the past as they presented the opening to the program "Echoes of a Prophet."

With this year marking the 150th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation, DSU Jazz Ensemble Director Randolph J. Johnson led his students in a wonderful presentation of music celebrating the idiosyncrasy and strength of Jazz music originally performed by artists of African American heritage.

This music was the heartbeat of the spirit behind such men as Martin Luther King, Jr. and Malcolm X. Jazz came with its own rhythm and allowed many people of color to express the anger and frustration they felt in the fight against Jim Crow laws without fear of retaliation.

Director Johnson, who was as lively and entertaining as ever, showcased his stellar and awe inspiring talent to rock the house with fantastic selections such as Dizzie Gillespie's "Tunisia", Miles Davis' "4", and a piece from Wilmington, Delaware's own Clifford Brown entitled "Jordu".

By the third song, the crowd was swaying along with the beat of the eccentric music from the talent on the stage which proved to shine stronger and brighter than the glint off of their instruments as they executed every note.

Special guest performer from Toledo, Ohio, Dr. Stanley Cowell added the perfect nightcap for the

first half of the evening when he along with Director Johnson and the packed stage performed Cowell's

own "Absecretions".

It would be completely remiss not to mention the exceptional vocal performances by the Calvary Baptist Church Choir and Delaware State University alumnus Reverend John Moore, Sr.

Complementing the DSU Jazz Ensemble celebrating the progression of African American culture in society through music, Reverend Moore allowed the audience to take a trip back with him to Mobile. Alabama as he portrayed one of the greatest men

By Logan French



who ever walked the Earth, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Reverend Moore allowed the audience to feel the exact emotion and aggravating struggle that must have been in the mind of Dr. King, Jr as he reenacted such monumental speeches such as "I Have a Dream" as well as instructions of his burial that sent a chill throughout the audience where he explained that he wanted his funeral to be short and not to focus on his attributes, but to shed light on that he was always there to fight for the righteous cause and was always supporting his fellow man.

Calvary Baptist Church members matched Reverend Moore with tear jerking performances with unbelievable vocal talent.

There was not a dry eye in the hall when the group rallied at the end of the program for and inspiring and uplifting presentation of "We Shall Overcome" with all of the members of the choir, including Reverend Moore.

"Echoes of a Prophet" was a terrific show that reminded and brought honor to the people who fought against injustice and marched forward and trudged the path for race equality.

"Prosperity can be established for all—regardless of station, race, or creed."



### The Conversation: Django Unchained

By Donnice B. Peterson

Delaware State University College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences sponsor panel/audience discussion about the highly criticized movie Django Unchained written, directed, and produced by Quentin Tarantino.

The release of Django Unchained on Christmas Day has brought on a great deal of controversy. There were many people that found the content offensive. However, some enjoyed the movie on so many different levels. Nonetheless, was Django a movie solely for entertainment or a recollection of historical events?

The panel discussion on Thursday, February 7th in the Education and Humanities Theatre covered the controversy surrounding the movie.

At the start of the discussion, Deirdre Childress Hopkins, a former film and entertainment editor for the Philadelphia Inquirer, distributed a movie quiz that had quotes from different Black films. Hopkins was adamant about first analyzing the history of films.



She stated that she was struck by the history of film study by the director Quentin Tarantino and how he stayed true to the tradition of a Spaghetti Western, which is a western produced by an Spanish and/or Italian co-production. Hopkins enjoyed the movie because she knew what to expect from the director and how he would portray the story of slavery.

On the other side, Dr. Ahati Toure, an associate professor of African History and African studies at Delaware State University, stated that he just did not understand the significance of the movie.

"I think that's a reflection of the fact that we really don't know our history, and I think that's dangerous," said Dr. Toure. Toure stated that the lack of knowledge makes the people weak and vulnerable because they do not know who they are.

Django Unchained has undeniably become the modern vehicle that raised awareness about slavery. The movie ignited conversation among all races and ages about what their actual knowledge of slavery was. DSU student Anthony C. Evans stated that he really enjoyed the panel discussion and felt the panelist were well-educated.

"They even brought up some questions I have to ask myself tonight," said Evans.

The panel discussion was well received, regardless of opposing views and was a great night of enlightenment.

# Ain't I A Woman!



#### By Allison Hazel and Scheniqua Earle

On Saturday February
9th, the Campus Activities
Board (CAB) and Future
Leaders in Progress
(F.L.I.P.) presented a play
in the Education and Humanities Theater titled
"Ain't I a Woman."

"Ain't I A Woman" is a play performance by the Core Ensemble, which is the producer of chamber music theatre works for actors and instrumental trio.

The talented trio includes Tahirah Washington (Cello), Bryon Sean (Piano), and Michael Parola (Percussion).

The play was written by Kim Hines and directed by Akin Babatune.

"Ain't I a Woman"
highlights four significant
African American women:
novelist and anthropologist
Zora Neale Hurston, folk
artist Clementine Hunter,
ex-slave and abolitionist
Sojourner Truth, and civil
rights worker Fannie Lou
Hamer.

All four women were portrayed by Shinnerrie

Jackson, an actress who appeared in regional and collegiate theater productions such as The Tempest, King Lear, The Glass Menagerie, Raisin in the Sun, and others.

Shinnerrie researched and studied the characters via YouTube and Google, in order to play the roles effectively.

She even worked on emulating the characters' accents.

"My favorite character was Clementine [Hunter] she's funny and determined". Shinnerrie expressed.

According to CAB member Latese Hickson and F.L.I.P president Curtis Turney, the event was put together in order to celebrate Black History Month and educate students.

"Aint I A Woman" was an inspiring play. It reminded us why we celebrate Black History Month, and gives us a hope for a bright future ahead.

# A Reflection on Harriet Tubman

Hall

By Logan French

Tubman Hall was erected at DSU in 1952 in honor of Harriet Tubman, the creator of the Underground Railroad.

There is obvious information that Harriet Tubman was a person of color who fought against racial bias in her time and this is a fitting way to pay respect to her on a Historically Black College or University (HBCU).

Araminta Harriet Ross was born in 1820 in Dorchester County, Maryland.

She would grow up there as a slave child until the time of the American Civil War in 1860.

She had been trained to be a nurse on the battle-field, as well as a cook.

With her position, she was around a great deal of powerful men who were running the logistics of the war.

She would tend to keep her head low but her ears open and would report any information that she heard back to her Union officers. With the war going on, she was still vexed on the idea of freeing her families and other colored brothers and sisters.

She concocted the plan to start moving people out of the South and as far north as Canada.

By the time the South had caught on, she had to find a much more safer and efficient way to transport her people out of the violent areas.

This is where she would orchestrate the Underground Railroad, where there would be a network of houses that escaped slaves could travel to and be hidden from the law.

The party would use the North Star in the sky to guide them as it always points or shows the correct way to travel north at night.

It is the brightest star on the "Drinking Gourd," which is the constellation known as the Big Dipper.

By the time that slavery was abolished through the Emancipation Proclama-



tion by President Abraham Lincoln on January 1, 1863, Tubman had moved potential thousands of slaves into safer areas.

At this time, Tubman became involved in fighting for women's suffrage, or to demand that women have the legal right to vote.

She had bought a piece of land in Auburn, New York earlier in her life, where she died on March 10, 1913 at the age of 93. She was buried in Fort Hill Cemetery in Auburn.

Next time you pass by or are studying in your room in Tubman Hall, the Hornet asks that you remember how important this pioneer of history truly was to the framework and structure of the assimilation of colored people into society not only in her lifetime but in yours.

You can learn about Harriet Tubman or any other civil rights leader in the library or at any Black History Month event on campus.

### African American Sports History Quiz

- 1. Who was nicknamed "The World's Fastest Man?"
- 2. Who was the first African American to play Major League Baseball?
- 3. Althea Gibson was the first African American woman to win the U.S. Nationals in what sport?
- 4. Who was the first African American to play in the National Hockey League?
- 5. Muhammed Ali was the first boxer to win the heavy weight title, how many times?
- 6. What year did Vonetta Flowers become the first black athlete to win a gold medal in the winter Olympics?
- 7. Who were the first African American women to represent the U.S.A. at the Olympics?
- 8. What sport did the first African American women who went to the Olympics participate in?
- 9. Who was the first African American woman to receive a gold medal at the Olympics?
- 10. The Associated Press voted who to be the first African American female to receive the Female Athlete of the Year award?
- 11. What historical sports figure struggled with polio as a child, but later won three gold medals at the Olympics in track & field?
- 12. Debi Thomas was the first African American woman to win the U.S. Championship in what sport?
- 13. Who was the first African American woman to sign to the WNBA?
- 14. Who held the American Tennis Association singles for seven years?
- 15. What college held the first female track & field team?
- 16. First African American that was drafted by the NFL?
  - 17. First African American guarterback?
- 18. First African American to referee the Super Bowl?
- 19. First female African American middleweight boxer to win a gold medal at the Olympics?
- 20. The first African American to win a Gold Medal in the women's gymnastics all around?

# Earl Lloyd: A Basketball Pioneer

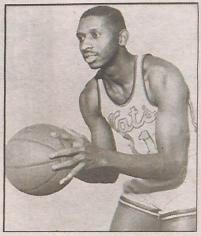
By Kyle Walker

Many people remember Jackie Robinson for breaking the color barrier in baseball in 1947, however many people may not know who Earl Lloyd is.

On October 31, 1950, Lloyd became the first African-American to play in the NBA.

The 6'5" power forward, who was selected by the Washington Capitols in the ninth round of the 1950 NBA Draft, came into the league with three other African-American players (Chuck Cooper, Nathaniel Clifton, and Hank De-Zonie), but Lloyd's team had the earliest season opener among the other teams.

"I honestly don't know too much about Mr. Lloyd," said junior Derrick Slayton, "But I can only imagine the racist remarks and mistreatment that he had to go



Earl Lloyd

through."

\*Over his 10-year career, Lloyd played for three teams: the Capitols, the Syracuse Nationals, and the Detroit Pistons. He spent most of his career with the Nationals, where he won the NBA championship in 1955.

In 2003, Lloyd was inducted

into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

"I think he is an important person in black history," said Ryan Jack, Morgan State University alum, "It's a shame that people have never even heard of him."

"It's funny because everybody knows Michael Jordan, Lebron James, and Kobe Bryant, yet I believe Earl Lloyd set the path for them to be able play today," said DSU senior and mass communications major Synquette Wilks, "Yet no one really knows who he is and they should, not just sports fans but people in general."

Earl Lloyd has helped open the door for many successful African-American basketball players, such as Wilt Chamberlain, Michael Jordan, Magic Johnson, and LeBron James to enter the NBA and his legacy is still felt throughout the league.

### Young, talented, and gifted; Gabrielle Douglas makes history

By: Aaron Tyson

The 17 year old teen sensation has made history becoming the first African-American gymnast to win both the individual all-around champion. She also became the first American gymnast to win gold in both the individual all-around and team competitions at the same Olympics.

Douglas has become an inspiration to female athletes around the world.

"Being an athlete in a sport where you are a minority inspires me to work harder," explained Chelsea Boursiquot, a sopohomore soccer player at Delaware State University. "There is a lot of doubt in any sport you play. As an African-American female, it's not expected for girls to participate in sports like soccer or gymnastics," Boursiquot responded. "I realized that I can overcome and succeed in my sport as long as I set goals, stay focused, and achieve those goals."

With her recent success, Douglas has her own line of gymnast apparel with GK Elite Sportswear called Gabrielle Douglas signature collection. Douglas has appeared on the Wheaties cereal box which is known as "The Breakfast of Champions". Douglas published an autobiography titled *Grace*, *Gold*, *and Glory: My Leap of Faith* in December.



Gabrielle Douglas

#### Success within the Labor Market

## Office of career services offers seminars highlighting how to get a job post graduation

#### By Allison Hazel

In four years or less, students are expected to obtain a degree in their area of study. A degree is not only evidence of a successful matriculation through a university; a degree is also a golden ticket that can open several doors within the labor market (work force).

On February 7th, the Office of Career Services held a seminar in the MLK Student Center entitled "Labor Market Information and Employment Trends." The seminar was conducted by Felicia Dorman, the campus career coach.

Ms. Dorman elaborated on the effects of the labor market such as industry needs and unemployment rates.

Students really enjoyed the seminar.

"I needed a way to find jobs," said Shekinah Rauizee, a senior majoring in music performance.

Shekinah felt as though the tips and resources given at the seminar can help her become an opera singer and music teacher.

It is imperative for students to prepare themselves for life after graduation so that they could be a potential candidate for employers. The director of career services Lisa Moody feels as though a student's career begins the same day as their academia. Students should be increasing their human capital (knowledge, skills, abilities, credentials, etc.) while they are still in school versus trying to gain experience post graduation.

Mrs. Moody suggests that students complete 2-3 internships during their undergrad.

"A lot of employers hire from their intern pool," Mrs. Moody explained. "It gives you a hands-on experience."

For students who want to attend graduate school, Mrs. Moody thinks they should only do so if their field requires it, or if their job is willing to cover education costs. Conversely, she encourages students to continue their education if they feel the need to.

As for students who want to pursue entrepreneurship, Mrs. Moody thinks that they should work for someone else before jumping straight into entrepreneurship. Therefore, students can know what it feels like to be an employee and manage capitol. She also recommended that future entrepreneurs minor in business.

For the remainder of the month, the Office of Career Services will be holding seminars in the MLK Student Center at 11 am on Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information contact careerplanning@desu.edu

# DSU Bookstore Improves with the Help of Follett

#### By Tenesha Samuel

The DSU bookstore in the MLK Student Center is a wonderful upgrade to the campus.

Students probably wonder where the DSU Bookstore gets all of its nice gear.

Follett Higher Education and DSU have contractually collaborated for the past ten years.

Follett Corporation was founded in 1873, when Charles M. Barnes opened a used bookstore in his Wheaton, Illinois home.

Today, Follett is a \$2.7 billion net worth privately held company that provides products, services, and solutions to the educational marketplace.

Marketers at DSU work hard with Follett in a dual partnership to come up with unique Hornet apparel.

The best seller in the DSU Bookstore for the past three years has been the Nike Track windbreaker suits.

According to Bookstore Manager Joann Holmes, students save 75% a semester renting their textbooks instead of buying them new or used.

Mass Communications major Johnna Blunt said, "My favorite item to buy in the bookstore is my favorite candy bar which is the Peanut Butter Snickers, but I do not like that the



(L to R) DSU students Taysia Chatman, Skyy Lee, Dashera Richardson, and Teyona Thompson watching a race from the Grand Stand at Delaware Park, dressed in Delaware State apparel.

bookstore is so expensive. For example, I have to pay \$2 for a drink but I can buy a drink for \$1 at the vending machine. The good thing is that when I don't have money, I can use my book voucher," said Blunt.

Education major Simone Roper states, "They run out of merchandise really quick. There was one time that I needed a book for class and they ran out of the book. Although there are vast numbers of texts for rent, helping students save a lot of money, sometimes the selection is also very limited

to certain majors and departments. That's actually something that the bookstore can improve on," said Roper.

In October, the bookstore sponsored "National Student Day" for students to study, get served and celebrate their accomplishment of being in a higher education institution.

Follett gives scholarships and grants to students or organization on campus and donations to various departments.

# Healthy Hornets Moving into the New Year

#### By Logan French

As Delaware State Students and faculty have returned to the rigors of academia, the Wellness and Recreation Center asks the DSU population to be as vigorous as they are in their studies as they are about making proper choices for their health.

AstraZeneca, Delaware State University, and the Delaware Center for Health Promotion have begun, funded, and are progressing through 2013 with the Healthy Hornets on the Move program.

This program will offer students and faculty education on topics such as diet choices, workout tips, being internally strong with confidence and simply not being stationary and to get up and do something.

A survey was administered to the DSU family and the results were targeted to have a month dedicated to working and changing behaviors on the problem set before the Wellness and Recreation staff.

Following up "Zumba in the Club" and the Health and Wellness Kickoff in collaboration with last month's theme of achieving a healthy weight, Hornets can partner with the WRC and tackle heart disease in February.

Marianne Carter, Registered Dietician and Director of the Delaware Center for Health Promotion, is an on-sight resource and leader of the program. She, along with Michelle Fisher, Director of Student Health Services, have brought the plan to life on the campus

This month, the WRC will be having an opportunity for those interested in making a change in their personal life an entry in the Healthy Weight Club.

This package allows for people to get advice on the physical, emotional, nutritional, and fitness aspect, while simultaneously tracking ones progress to not only see the reward on their shrinking bodies, but on paper as well.

The WRC has a plethora of multifaceted group workout classes that can inspire a healthy change just from the joy of producing a good sweat or even aquatic classes if swimming while working out strikes a fancy.

Along with this idea, the College of Education, Health, and Public Policy is sponsoring nicotine replacement gum and patches in order to help the cessation of smoking, which causes elevated blood pressure and additional stress on the heart.

The WRC also provides HIV screenings, flu shots, and a vast amount of knowledge and challenges to inspire personal growth.

There will also be a health fair on Wednesday, March 20th in the MLK Student Center.

The health fair will have 30 or more internal and external organizations for students and faculty to ask questions or to gain information from.

Come and join the Wellness and Recreation Center, Student Health Services, Nursing Department, Public Safety, Movement Science Department, Residence Life, Nutrition, Health Promotion Counseling Center, and Office of Student leadership in moving your stinger against heart disease this February and become part of the Healthy Hornet Initiative at Delaware State University!

### To College from the Caribbean

By: Amanda L. Alexander and Darrien J. Coleman

From the Virgin Islands to Delaware, sophomore Karolynne Baptiste, a pre-nursing major, has adjusted well to life in America.

Baptiste, who is from the island of St. Thomas, says it was not too difficult adjusting to the American lifestyle, but it took some time to adjusting to the weather.

Adjusting to a new culture was the biggest change.

"They [DSU students] are not accustomed to the foods that I am used to, the music that I listen to and most do not even know where St. Thomas is," says Baptiste.

"Back home, the temperature usually ranges from 80-90 degrees daily and we do not experience four seasons. It's either hot or rainy."

Baptiste says that moving from a small island, of 32 square miles, to a state was also an adjusting.

"Back home, I can go anywhere and it won't take me more than 30-45 minutes to get there. But here in the states, some places are as far as an hour or more," says Baptiste.

Although the United States is very different from St. Thomas United States Virgin Islands, she plans to stay after college simply because there are more job opportunities.



Karolynne Baptiste

### New Organization Strives to Make its Mark on DSU

By Antonio Parker

Future Leaders in Progress, or F.L.I.P. for short, was started by five male students who, regardless of their past credentials, wanted to leave an impact on their school, and at the same time, understand where they were coming from.

Their relatable pasts as individuals and perseverance through it is the foundation of F.L.I.P. and together they hope to use their individual struggles to connect with the students of DSU by showing them that they can progress through strife towards becoming leaders

F.L.I.P promotes student engagement in the resources provided on campus that help build strong leadership skills, professionalism, academic achievement, and networking and is dedicated to creating an atmosphere of anti-violence throughout the student body. Their future aspirations are to have beneficial programs and events for students that are educational as well as fun, promote anti-violence and conduct community service and volunteering to help others in the school/community.

Curtis Turney, President of F.L.I.P., believes that, "True leaders don't create followers, they create more leaders," which stands as the basis of F.L.I.P.'s mission.

### Students Lend a Helping Hand

By Allison Hazel

Service is one of DSU's core values. In addition to making your mark on the world,

volunteering your time and energy in order to serve the public is essential

There are several community service opportunities on and off campus such as participating in walks, helping with a clothing/food drive, and cleaning up trash.

"Students should defiantly give back to the community" said Jayla Johnson, a sophomore majoring in Education.

"Students can ask different organizations when they do community service so they can participate", she added.

Jayla is an Inspire Scholar who volunteers at the children's lab school during her spare time.

Students can participate in community service with the university, their organization, or a group of friends.

Those who are recipients of the Inspire Scholarship are required to complete 10 hours of community service per semester.

"I'm an Inspire Student therefore every spring semester we do a big community service project (Inspire Day of Service).



First Ever "Inspire Day of Service", March 2012

Last year, I went to Laurel [Delaware] and helped remodel the Boys and Girls Club.

I'm looking forward to participating in this year's Inspire Day" said Zac Exume, a junior majoring in mass communications.

"I'm also a part of "Aspire" (another program) and right now I'm helping out by being a volunteer for Freshman Forum" he added.

"Volunteering gives me the opportunity to meet new people and learn something new about myself.

This gesture also helps me gain networking skills" said Erin Cramer, a sophomore majoring in Nursing. Erin is also an Inspire Scholar, Hornet Ambassador, and a member of the SGA Street Team.

Recently she helped out with the MLK Jr. Exhibition in the Student Center. "So far, my favorite project was helping renovate a child care center in Wilmington [last year]. It felt good to give back" Erin explained.

If students want to get involved in community service projects, they should be mindful of the flyers in the administration building.

Erin suggests that students, who have questions/concerns regarding the student body, should contact Ms. Cordle (at the information desk in the administration building) or Ms. Wright (in the admissions office).

#### African American Sports History Quiz Answers

- 1. Jesse Owens
- 2. Jackie Robinson
- 3. Tennis
- 4. Willie O'Ree
- 5. 3
- 6. 2002
- 7. Louise Stokes and Tidye Pickett
- 8. Track & field
- 9. Alice Coachman
- 10. Althea Gibson
- 11. Wilma Rudolph
- 12. Figure skating
- 13. Sheryl Swoopes
- 14. Ora Washington
- 15. Tuskegee Institute
- 16. George Taliaferro
- 17. Willie Thrower
- 18. Mike Carey
- 19. Claressa Shields
- 20. Gabby Douglas

## What You Should Know About Housing

By La'Erica Conner-Sims

For students who will be returning to DSU to reside on campus, the housing process is something they should review carefully.

Spring 2012 semester marked the beginning of housing applications no longer being in paper form, but only available online.

Matthew Fortune, the Acting Director of the Department of Housing & Residential Education, confirmed that students will no longer be able to submit their housing applications by paper. Two of the reasons for this change were to make the process faster and for students to be able to do more with their applications. A new feature that will be included in the online application will be the roommate selection fea-

ture

"Before you go home for the summer, start early and know the dates," said Fortune, "Read your emails from housing, financial aid, and student accounts. Make sure your FAFSA is completed and you are registered for classes, he said."

Fortune also advised students to set up appointments to meet with counselors.

Students should be aware of the amount of

credits they have before deciding where to move. Upperclassmen who have 30 credits or more can apply to live in the University Village or University Courtyard. Students who are upperclassmen, but have less than 30 credits can apply to live in Warren-Franklin Hall. Freshmen should also remember the \$400 payment they will need if they are applying for the University Village or University Courtyard.

When registration for classes opens on April 2, students will have until April 14 to register. Returning students will begin to receive housing emails after they have registered for classes for the 2013-2014 academic year. Housing fees will be able to be submitted online.

Although housing is regarded as "first come, first serve", it cannot be guaranteed to every student that applies. It is best for stu-

dents to register early for the Fall 2013 semester. They should also begin a payment plan as soon as possible to avoid missing payment deadlines.

Fortune's advice to students on the housing
process was very straight to
the point. "Don't wait!"
said Fortune. "Take care of
everything right away."

\*\*\*Exact dates for housing deadlines were not available at the time of the interview.

# DSU Toastmasters Club

By Daneisha Patterson-Cromwell

"Toastmasters International empowers people to achieve their full potential and realize their dreams. Through our member clubs, people throughout the world can improve their communication and leadership skills and find the courage to change."

This is the Vision of Toastmasters International.

Earlier this semester, DSU Toastmasters Club held their Open House where interested students and faculty members were invited to attend a standard Toastmasters meeting led by President Joshua Watkins and Vice President Jasmine Ford.

The club mission is to provide a mutually supportive and positive learning environment in which every member has the opportunity to develop communication and leadership skills.

Each meeting features a thoroughly structured agenda as well as a theme. Members are given roles such as Toastmaster of the Day, Ballot Counter, Ahh Counter, Grammarian, Timer, General Evaluator, and Table Topics Master.

The aforementioned roles are appointed responsibilities, which are used to groom each appointed speaker of the night.

The "Word of the Day" is introduced and all members and attendants of the meeting are encouraged to use this word at least once when speaking.

Toastmasters are given 5-7 minute projects, which they are scheduled to present.

Senior Joshua Watkins presented his fifth speech project, titled "The King In You."

Senior Kathleen Hampton presented her second speech project titled "What is Honesty?" Upon presenting speakers are evaluated, and given tips for improvement.

Aside from hearing those scheduled to speak, the entire club is encouraged to participate in "Table Topics".

This is where members pick a topic and are given 1-2 minutes to formally speak about them.

Those who participate in "Table Topics" are also evaluated.

Some of the "Table Topics" speakers of the night included SGA Vice President Isaiah McCoy and SGA Corresponding Secretary Adrian Sutton.

Mr. DSU, Eric Brown, was featured as "Speech Evaluator" along with Sophomore Donnice Peterson.

The two were also evaluated.

Some of the benefits of Toastmasters are leadership development opportunities, ongoing experience, the development of keen listening skills, overcoming fears, building self-confidence and poise, effective presentation delivery, and developing time management skills.

The Toastmasters Club meetings held at Delaware State University provide students with a very supportive environment, and positive atmosphere.

The members are all very inviting.
Students or faculty interested in joining
Toastmasters should attend one of their
weekly meetings held each Thursday at
5:00 in the Bank of America Building,
room 309.

Professional development such as this isn't free.

The new member fee for Delaware State University Students is \$20.00; however it is well worth it.

DSU Toastmasters Club invites you to sit in on any meeting before deciding whether to become a member or not.

#### WHAT'S BUZZIN' IN THE HIVE?

## "Soul Opera" Slams into Spring!

WDSU Radio, "The Hive," the Graduate Students Association, Spoken Word Artists United, and Men of Color Alliance will host "Suite Franchon's Soul Opera," on Thursday, April 11th, 8-10 p.m. in the MLK. Original and awesome, the production features poetry, live music, monologues and song. Finalists of a poetry competition on WDSU Radio will get to perform with the "Soul Opera" and the night's winner(s) (judged by the audience) will take away cash money! Details are still being worked out so stay tuned to the Hive!

### **Boys & Girls Club Goes Big**

Seriously, the campus' Boys & Girls Club kids are back in the Hive in a BIG way. A record 28 youngsters visit the radio station Wednesdays, 5-6:00 p.m. Hive staff teach the kids production, editing, and other radio/audio skills. Our own DJ Breaz is adding a new twist this semester--teaching them how to DJ. Also, the elementary & middle schoolage students host their own shows. Listen for: Akd's Show; Nothing but the Truth; Firecracker Show; Gossip Girls; Dream Kids; Premier & Jahaad Show; Bad Boys; and Good Girls. Yes, they named their own shows-- which will air and alternate during the kids' Wednesday visits.



### "Mass Comm Day" Cometh

WDSU Radio, Channel 15, reminds all Mass Comm students that "MASS COMM DAY" is set for Thursday, April 11th, in the MLK—all day. This is mass comm "FUBU—for us, by us." BE THERE!!!

#### WDSU Radio Staff Needed

The deadline for show host apps has passed, but writers, music aficionados, sports nuts, planners, tech geeks, photographers, videographers, DJs, etc. are needed. Stop by. Check us out—ETV building-1st floor--only if you're on point about your academics, and possess a sense of fun and adventure.

#### **Student Spotlight:**

# Foreign exchange students want to learn more about American culture and form friendships

#### By Synquette Wilks

Foreign exchange students Junhyeok Oh and Naeun Kang considered many schools when deciding to come to America.

Universities in Nebraska and Canada didn't stand a chance however, in the end they decided to attend DSU.

Besides wanting to learn more about American culture, (particularly African American culture) DSU was an ideal choice for them because of its location. Junhyeok said he likes that DSU is close to New York, and Washington D.C.

"This was the best university that I could choose," he said, "I came to DSU because I heard it was an HBCU and I love African American culture."

Naeun said that she came to DSU to experience culture in America.

"We knew that there were many other cultures, but we didn't have experience with them being in Korea," said Naeun.

Compared to her country, she said that Americans live a very comfortable life and can live freely.

"In Korea we have to study, study, study," said Naeun.

She also noted that it appears to her that Americans have many parties, and enjoy music and dance.

"American life is very fun," said Naeun.

## "This was the best University that I could choose. I love African American culture"

-Junhyeok Oh

In his spare time, Junhyeok enjoys listening to music. He is a fan of R&B music and his favorite band is Earth, Wind, and Fire. He also likes music from Stevie Wonder

He has also been a fan of Alicia Keys since he was in high school. He said he would love to go to an Alicia Keys concert and his favorite song by Keys is "If I ain't got you."

The way that DSU students interact in class is also a difference that Junhyeok and Naeun noticed.

At DSU it's a normal occurrence for students to ask questions such as "What's the homework?" "Where's the sign-in sheet?" or "Is this going to be on the test?"

Junhyeok and Naeun were surprised when they came to America and saw how students ask questions during class time. However, in Korea, classroom etiquette is different

In Korea, students listen to the professor's lecture and write down any questions they may have and then after class, talk to their professors during their office hours and ask whatever questions they

had during that time.

They do not interrupt or ask questions during class because they say they do not want to interfere with other students learning time.

Also, they noticed the way that Americans greet each other is different than how they greet one another in Korea. Naeun explained that in the U.S. Americans are very informal with greeting one another. We use the same "Hello" to greet adults as well as our peers. However, in Korean culture, it is not the same.

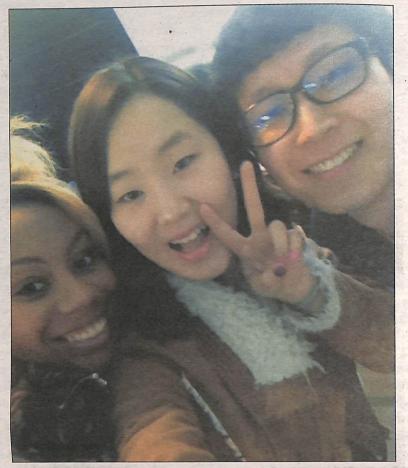
In Korea you cannot be casually when you greet your professors or other adults, it is allowed only when you speak with your friends.

"There's a wall between older people and students in Korea," they explained.

Naeun said that she was surprised when she witnessed a teacher and student give each other a "high-five" here at DSU.

"That would never happen in Korea," she said.

They said it's very difficult to understand English, they only un-



Synquette Wilks, Naeun Kang, Junhyeok Oh

derstand about 30% of what Americans say.

"Koreans are happy in the U.S," said Naeun, "And we want to meet many friends, but we don't have chance to we say hello to many American students, and that's it," she said.

She explained that DSU students are very kind and very sweet, but forging a friendship with students is hard because their English is a little poor.

"We want to talk more, and make many friends in the U.S.," said Naeun.

### Are Your Headphones Putting Your Health At Risk?

By La'Erica Conner-Sims

Students on campus can be seen walking to and from class with headphones blaring music into their ears.

But how loud is too loud? And can higher levels of music really affect your health?

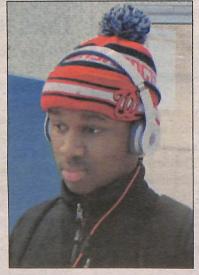
The usage of headphones and earphones by those of Generation Y is very evident. Generation Y often refers to those who were born between the late 1970s or early 1980s and the early 2000s.

Antoinette McGowan, a writer for Yahoo! Voices, found in a study done by the Journal of Epidemiology that having high levels of noise in a person's ears can have damaging effects. A

tumor could form in their ears eventually leading to hearing loss.

The study concluded that the tumor would be slow in its growth process. This long process would result in the cranial nerve having tension placed on it over the duration. McGowan explained that the cranial nerve has to do with how we sense sound and have balance in our ears.

McGowan also mentioned that inner ear hair cells that are damaged could pose a risk for those who use headphones. Having too much loud noise being forced into your ears will harm the hair cells. This could,



in the course of time, lead to permanent hearing loss.

The National Institute on

Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD) said: "Continuous exposure to loud noise can also damage the structure of hair cells, resulting in hearing loss and tinnitus."

Tinnitus, as defined by the NIDCD, is a ringing, buzzing, or roaring in the ears or head. This can be experienced after listening to devices at high volumes over a period of time.

DSU Senior Lykeerah Newman has experienced this before.

"I listen to my music really loud," said Newman. "I have heard ringing in my ears afterwards."

For those who love to listen to their music through their headphones or earphones loudly, these tips should help you turn the volume down.

If someone walking a few feet ahead of you can hear your music then your music is too loud. You should turn the volume down to a reasonable level so that the music is not blaring into your ears.

If you experience tinnitus, the ringing noise, after listening to music, then your music's volume was at too high of a level. You should think about lowering the volume during future listening.

Lykeerah Newman is aware of the possibility of losing her hearing when she is older.

"I am concerned because I know how people can lose their hearing as they get older," said Newman. "I'll remember to turn the volume down for next time."

### Aquatic Center Making a Splash headed into Spring

#### By Logan French

Are you tired of dealing with a frigid, icy, damp, monotonous winter?

Are you looking for a way to shake off the icicles and to be more active?

The Aquatic Center in the Wellness Recreation Center may just have your answer.

Aquatics Director Jonathon Stewart invites the community to come and visit DSU's newly built 84 degree heated pools. Director Stewart came on to his role at DSU in 2010 and has not looked back since.

His responsibilities include operating and maintaining the Aquatic Center as well as developing and preserving in the pool classes.

There is no fear needed if you do not know how to swim.

The Aquatic Center offers private swimming lessons for free as well as semi-private lessons, such as learning to swim with your friend.

Even though the pool is only

four feet and eight inches deep, knowing how to swim will be vital to enable yourself to enjoy the excellent classes and planned events at the pool.

Not only does the center offer excellent swimming aerobics classes designed to elevate your heart rate and to get your exercise in while having a great deal of fun, there are also social events.

These events can be a "Flick and Float" where patrons can enjoy a film and snacks played in the Aquatic Center as you enjoy the water.

A "Miles Club" is in the works to "incentivize" students complete laps in the pool, accruing mileage in the laps swam.

The more distance logged will result in more of an opportunity to earn things such as swimming caps, goggles, and other pool accessories.

There will also be a major push for group sports coming where people can play underwater hockey, water basketball, water volleyball, water pong, and all sorts of new games.

A key member of Mr. Stewart's team and a quality individual in his own right is Lifeguard/Aquatic Instructor Matt Fillman.

The Sophmore Computer Science major completed his lifeguard training last winter.

His role in the program is to instruct the "Aquacise" water fitness class, where he does not intimidate or discriminate, but encourages the students to push hard and to exert themselves while encouraging.

"I like working in the pool. I like swimming. It's a great job



that works around your schedule with classes and everything. I like being back here (in the Aquatic Center) and everyone who works back here," responds Fillman when asked why he chose to take the lifeguard class and then became hired at DSU.

The Aquatic Center offers a plethora of opportunities to get out of the cold and into the warm relaxing waters at DSU.

If you found any of this interesting, feel free to stop by and enjoy the amenities.

One big project the family at the Aquatic Center is working to provide is right after spring break.

The Spring Fling will be a party at the pool with a DJ and refreshments as people can interact and readjust to campus life again.

Feel free to stop by and make a splash!

### Healthy Eating in your dorm room

#### By Krystal Francis

Everyone has heard of the saying, "Freshmen 15," but there are ways you can prove this saying wrong. College is riddled with unhealthy food choices; from poor food selections and limited healthy choices as an alternative. jdrf.org, a health website, gives some tips on how to eat Healthy in a dorm and we related some of the tips just for Del State Students.

Here are some tips to stay healthy on campus:

1: Always go for the healthy choice. There's now Subway on campus, which provides a new healthy choice. The cafe' has a salad bar and also makes sandwiches for the students. Try to eliminate fast foods and junk food from your diet.

2: Can't drop fast food from your diet, limit it a fast food run once a week.

3: Buy Healthier freezer food and snacks. Nasbro now makes 100 calorie snack bags which is prefect for the hungry college student, also fruits and nuts are always a good thing. Also, there is certain healthy brand freezer food that can be bought at your local grocery store.

4: Get creative! Cook every

now and then. Though kitchen space is limited in the dorms, use it as much as you can and cook up a healthy and delicious meal.

5: Cut down on your portions. Limit the amount of snacks you snack on in your dorm room and cut down to breakfast and dinner; lunch can be a much smaller portion.

Brittany Smith is a Junior at Delaware State University and she combats the freshmen 15 with her own weight loss plan. "Try to eat fruits and vegetables as much as possible. Sleeping is healthier than trying to stay up that extra hour. Also, try to workout often to keep a healthy heart and system."

### Nerd Blurb: Hottest Trending Applications for Smart phones

By Krystal Francis

It's the age of Smart phones and no Smart phone is complete without application or better known as, "Apps."

Apps come in many categories like entertainment, games, navigations, business, news and etc.

There's pretty much an app for everything and if there's something missing, an app will be created in due time.

Now that you know all about the wonderful world of Apps, here are the hottest apps of 2013 that everyone should have on their Smart Phones.

- 1. Instagram: This photo app instantly hipsters your photo with a wide-range of filters. This new form of social networking has quickly become a necessity for everyone's phones.
- 2. Google Chrome: All you need to know about this is that it's a Google search engine and it's not Bing.
- 3. Temple Run 1/2: Temple Run is an exciting reactionstyle game that can become addicting in a records time. You'll find yourself playing the free game app for hours on end, trying to beat your friends' high score. This game isn't for the faint hearted and the easily frustrated. Beware of the monkeys!
- 4. Youtube: This ever popular video streaming website in app form is a must have on your Iphone. How can you get through life without ever seeing a funny viral video on a daily basis?
- 5. Netflix: This app will make you even more anti-social. Netflix-now has a new trendy app, where you can spend hours upon hours watching your favorite television shows and movie with just a flick of a fingertip.

Those are the hottest apps of 2013! What will be the next hot apps to grace your smart phone?

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# **Students Opinions Safety on DSU Campus**

By Sejal Mehra

Students at Delaware State University may say that they are never scared of anything, but it is just a front. Most people live on campus and some even walk after taking the local bus or shuttle, no matter what the time of day is. Some feel that the homes across the street from the University Courtyards are dangerous (which they are), and some even feel like walking out of a dorm after daylight could potentially be dangerous. Everyone knows it is more than easy to come onto our campus; by simply walking, jumping a fence or lying to gate attendants by saying "I am doing a drop off."

After the shooting in Houston, Texas in late January, all colleges need to take action and control of safety more seriously. The shooting occurred during the daytime, around noon on the campus in Texas. Most of the college students thought nothing of it at first, until gunshots got louder and closer to their classrooms. This tragedy can easily happen at Delaware State University, but it is up to us to make it a point for safety. On our campus, we have had people die from gun violence, multiple fights, and more than enough robberies... It is ridiculous.

The safety of our school is hoped to be at a maximum, but it remains minimum. The gates surrounding the campus are not secured or watched at night. No matter what time or day, anyone can come onto our campus by a simple lie, jump or long walk. The "visitors" coming to DSU usually never check in for parties, events, or games, meaning anything can happen, anytime.

A senior at Delaware State University, Ashley Harris is a Mass Communications major

who lives in the University Courtyards. Though her building is fairly close to the entrance of the complex, she still does not feel safe when walking to campus, any time of the day. She stated, "feeling the most unsafe for me is at night when either walking to or from campus. What's even more scary is when the street lights turn off, resulting in a dark walk home, thinking anything can happen." Sometimes when she is coming from choir practice at night, the shuttle is no longer running, causing her to have the only option of walking through campus and then off campus. She feels that safety can always improve but with the robberies and shootings going on in other states and colleges, campus should feel more secure and more gates and entrances should be monitored at night.

Robert Nelson is a junior at Delaware State University, who is currently studying Criminal Justice in order to become an FBI Agent in his near future. "Agent Nelson" is a resident of the university village apartments on campus. He states that as a young man he no longer feels safe on campus and that the crime is only getting worse as the year passes due to the recent robberies at gunpoint. "There are not enough policeman to protect the campus," says Nelson. He also stated that he wouldn't put the shootings past DSU as it lowers his safety on campus, especially when being "protected" by mediocre personnel.

Sometimes police may seem like they are everywhere, but it will always be a time where an office wont be in sight, and something bad may happen. Just because the police are near doesn't mean they are out to catch you, ruin your day or ticket you... They are our protection and with their help DSU has the potential to be a safer campus.

### Techie Hornets Join Techtoday@wordpress.com Blog

By Travis Brunson

Technology is making people's lives more efficient.

It allows people to communicate in ways that were seemingly unimaginable in previous years.

Tech Today is a new blog that allows for a continuing discussion in the technology and media world.

The blog is not limited to simple technology trends and the DSU campus.

The postings range from the latest developments in cellular communication to breakthroughs in personal computers. The blog connects technology to headline news.

For example, when General David Petreaus had an affair and used email as a communication tool for his mistress, one blog post covers the connection between infidelity and how technology plays an unfortunate, yet significant role in the exposure.

In addition to the traditional Hornet newspaper, DSU students can participate in the discussion online through the blog at techtoday@wordpress.com.

A goal of the blog is to make technology developments understandable and more transparent.

# HBCU Spotlight: Delaware State University

By Kyle Walker

Delaware State University was established on May 15, 1891 as the State College for Colored Students. DSU started out as a 100-acre campus with three buildings, but now the campus is 400 acres and has over 50 buildings.

When it was first established, DSU had only five areas of study, but now it has 52 undergraduate programs, 25 master's programs, and five doctoral programs. One of the strongest areas of study at DSU is the business program, which is ranked as one of the top business programs in the nation.

Some notable alumni of DSU

includes John Taylor (three-time Super Bowl champion with the San Francisco 49ers), Aaron Spears (actor, The Bold and the Beautiful), and David G. Turner (Bank of America executive; one of Fortune Magazine's 50 Most Powerful Black Executives in America in

For the past few years, DSU has been steadily climbing the list of the nation's best HBCUs and one of the main reasons is because of the partnerships that it has with foreign countries. So, this is evidence that DSU is truly making its mark on the world.

## You know you go to Del State when...

- 1. You wait in the grill line for 20 minutes for a turkey burger
- 2. You have no flex by the end of January because you rather use your flex instead of your meal plan
  - 3. You vote for "Best Weave"
- 4. You've been caller number one hundred twenty five on the student accounts telephone line
- 5. There's a new exposed page every week on Instagram
- 6. Unknown people say "Know me" or "Know us"
  - 7. People stare you down but don't speak
  - 8. The café entrance is "The Runway"
- 9. People from Delaware claim every state but their own
  - 10. You witness a campus tour
  - 11. Every week is "Turn up" time
- 12. The let out is more "poppin" than the actual party
- 13. Your still riding that wave in 2013
- 14. Everybody started from the bottom and still aint go no where
- 15. Seniors are on the 7 year undergraduate plan –You get your masters degree and get certified in CPR at the same time

### Athlete Spotlight: Kianna D'Oliveira

By Aaron Tyson

Senior Kianna D'Oliveira has contributed a lot to the Delaware State University women's basketball team. The 5'10 forward from Newport News, Virginia has been instrumental in the Hornets success through her career. She was second on the team in blocks in the 2011-2012 season. During the 2010-2011 season, she started every game but one, leading the team in blocks with 62 blocks and 38 steals.

Coming from Virginia, she was drawn to DSU by the environment.

"The class sizes weren't too big, not too small, and there were a lot of things around campus. Entering my freshman year, the women's team was doing well in the MEAC plus I had a friend on the team," D'Oliveira explained.

Being a student athlete, there is a lot to learn, especially in team sports.

"You have to learn to accept change, be more patient, trust the coaches, your

teammates, and have each other back," said D'O-liveira.

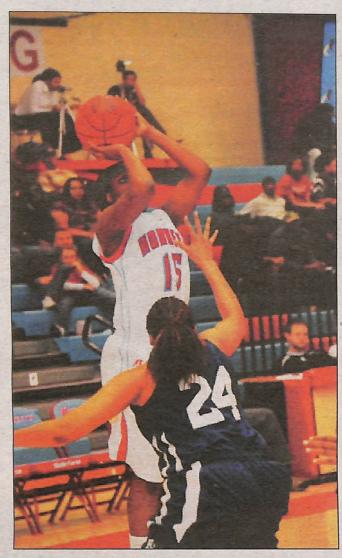
As a college athlete, there are bound to be a lot of memorable moments. While some fade away, others just seem to stick.

"My most memorable moment was my sophomore year against NJIC. I blocked a shot at the end of regulation that sent the game into overtime. We ended up winning the game," D'Oliveira replied.

With the end of her career a couple months away, Kianna gave some advice to incoming freshman.

"Be focused, open minded, abide by the system because if everyone is on the same page, that's the way to a winning season," said D'Oliveira

Along with her success on the basketball team, D'Oliveria is a member of the Phi Gamma Mu International Honors Society and Chi Alpha Sigma National Student Athlete Honors Society. She has made the Dean's list four times and President's list three times.



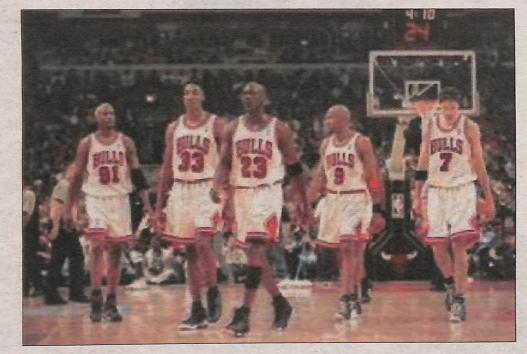
Kianna D'Oliveira

#### The true characteristics of a T-E-A-M

By Kyle Turner

"Teamwork makes the dream work. "There is no I in team". These are just a few phrases used when talking about a team. By dictionary definition, a team is a group of people organized to work together; a group of players forming one of the sides in a sporting contest.

Now every team doesn't work out this way. The process of trying to form a successful and productive team is a tough task. All of the members of a team must learn each other. Everyone must learn the strengths as well as the weaknesses of your teammates. A good teammate finds ways to make their teammates better. Some examples include taking time after practice to work on areas of weakness. In return, that teammate can help the other player in their area of weakness. This is where teammate chemistry is pivotal to creating an atmosphere where the players can truly come together al-



most like a family.

Being a good "team" isn't just about having the most talented, most skilled, or the more intelligent people. It's more about the people on the team understanding their roles. For example, let's say a football player who is supposed to be an offensive lineman protecting the quar-

terback decides to want to play quarterback one day. The team won't be successful. Everybody on the team must accept their roles for the good of the team.

"But what about me?"
"This isn't what I want".
"I'm better than this". All these quotes have one thing in common. Selfishness. If you're on a team and you're

selfish, more times than not, the team won't be as successful as it should. When you put your pride aside and come to do the best job in the role that you are assigned, there is a higher probability that your "team" will flow a lot better. When you put "I" in "team", it becomes all about me and not about we.

# Women's Golf Team Prepares for Spring Season

By Andrew Ross

Scott Thornton has been with DSU for two years now, but this will be his first year as the head coach for the women's golf team.

"I thought building a team from the ground up would be a great challenge, and it has been. I get to watch how the team will come together and how they grow as a team



**Scott Thornton** 

over the next four years," Thornton said.

Thornton is well aware of the obstacles that are ahead of his team.

"With only freshman on the team, the biggest obstacle will be leadership. I have a few that will be great leaders, but it may take a season for them to realize it," explained Thornton.

Transfer student Layney Silva knows that nothing will come easy.

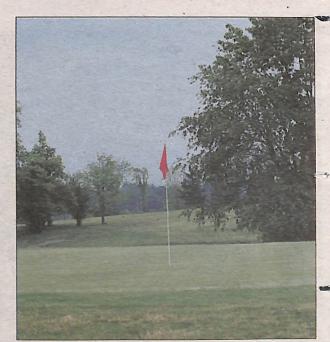
"It's going to take a lot of confidence and determination. We're really going to have to show those other teams that we really want to win. I think that if everyone really works hard and puts all of their effort and time into practicing that our team will do really well in our upcoming tournaments," Silva said.

Despite everything going against them, Thornton still believes his team can do great things.

"We struggled in the fall because the girls didn't realize the demands on a scholarship athlete. They are working hard this semester and I feel we will bring our team scores down drastically. I would like a top three finish at the National Minority Championship in May," said Thornton.

What would Thornton like people to say about his team after looking back on them?

"I want them to see a team that got better along the way. We are very young, but I see lots of talent and desire. If people look at this team in a year or two, they will see why I recruited this group on players to be the first DSU women's golf team in history," Thornton praised.



#### STUDENT VOICES

Compiled By Kyrstal Francis

### Did you enjoy the Black History month events on campus?



"As a Caucasian member of a HBCU, I really enjoyed learning about the history of the majority of the school."

> -Jeff Baxter, Junior Mass Communications



"This years Black History month events were incredible. I am glad the opportunity to celebrate it at DSU."

-Ashley Nicole, Junior Nursing



"I thoroughly enjoyed the events. It's always nice for our culture to be showcased. It doesn't allow us to forget and to progress."

> -Ciatta Howard, Sophomore Mass Communications



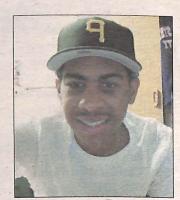
"I really enjoyed the Django Event on campus! It was a very interesting discussion."

> -Val Precious-Ham, Junior Mass Communications



"It's very important for a HBCU to have events during Black History Month because it inspires people to continue their education knowing that people died for the right we have today."

-Theresa Williams, Junior Biology



"One event I enjoyed was the King Imaging Project in the MLK. It gave me a good look into Dr.King's life as a child and civil rights leader."

der."

-Brandon Colon,

Freshmen

Mass Communications

### Campus Harvest 2013: God's Not Dead

#### (Delaware State University)

Welcome! We are so excited for you to join us for the annual Campus Harvest conference. This year's theme is God's Not Dead, and you can find more details at www.campusharvest.org/conference/nyc. Campus Harvest at New York City takes place from Friday, April 5th to Sunday, April 7th. Get ready to have an amazing time meeting new friends and growing closer to God like never before!!!! Here are some more details:

#### How to attend

- 1. Confirm with Michael J. Williams (mjphysics3@gmail.com or (215) 360-8723) that you will be attending Campus Harvest!
- 2. Register online at www.campusharvest.org. Currently the conference costs \$39 for HBCUs.
- 3. Also, we are collecting a separate payment of \$115 (cash preferable) to cover transportation and lodging. You will also need money for food and CDs/merchandise.



#### More details:

- Campus Harvest deadline to register for only \$39 March 5th!! afterwards, it will increase to \$59.
- Departure Friday, April 5th in the late morning

Location:

- Return Sunday, April 7th in the late afternoon
  - Morning Star New York (host church) West Side at Park West High School 525 W. 50th Street (between 10th and 11th Aves) New York, NY 10019

#### Date:

April 5th through the 7th First choice for lodging: Hotel Carter 250 West 43rd Street New York City, NY 10036 \$99 per night

www.campusharvest.org/about

## VOTE TODAY HOME DEPOT RETOOL YOUR SCHOOL COMPETITION

The Home Depot is giving back to Historically Black Colleges and Universities by awarding \$195,000 in grants to 14 HBCUs through the Retool Your School Campus Improvement Program.

Please use this link -- www.retoolyourschool.com/vote-now.aspx -and cast your vote for DSU each day through April 15.

You can vote once a day, every day and also get out the word on Twitter using the hashtag #del-StateRYS2013.

Your daily vote makes a difference!

#### DSU's projects are:

Major Project: DSU plans to rebuild its outdoor student social area, including ADA-compliant pathways and grill areas.

Minor Project: DSU plans to add energy-saving window film to multiple buildings to reduce our carbon imprint.

Campus Pride: DSU plans to update its sustainability garden with raised flower beds and ADA-compliant pathways





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"THE STINGING TRUTH"

April 2, 2013

### New Wellness Center Equipment for Students with Disabilities

By Travis Brunson and Heejeong Kwon



**Director Jordin Williams** shown in the stairwell of the Wellness Center.

Although the DSU Wellness Center is dominated by the LifeFitness

will help students with disabilities stay in shape.

The Wellness Center includes two pieces from this line, the Chest Press and Row.

The Cybex Chest Press and Row have removable benches and seats that are great for students confined to a wheelchair.

Director Jordin Williams says, "The (Cybex) line is aimed at being accessible for all students. The Wellness Center includes something for everyone.

It is important to be the best version of yourself as you can be. All membership services are now inhouse in the Wellness Center."

The Wellness Center provides fitness courses



The Cybex Line available in the Wellness Center. Shown above is the equipment that allows the benches to be removed for wheelchair confined students.

geared toward diverse interests.

Swimming lessons are available free of charge for any student.

Supervisor Ashlee Brannon says, "Having fitness courses helps out a lot. They are taught in a non-traditional style, having music to dance to while working out in class:"

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### brand, the new Cybex line Burning Rubber: DSU Student **Enjoys Life in the Fast Lane**

By Kyle Turner

The smell of gasoline, power tools, and smoke fill the air at racetracks around the U.S.

To some, being around racing and the excitement around it stirs up an adrenaline rush. This is the case for Nicole Bower, a senior at Delaware State University who lives to race.

Growing up around racing at a young age, Nicole was impressed with the thought of competitive racing.

"When I was 12, I started racing. My dad sponsored cars where I grew up," she explained. "He bought me my first car and I started racing from there."

As we all know, crashes are a part of racing whether we want to accept that fact or not. "My least favorite part about racing is the crashes. The day after, muscles you didn't know you had ache," said Bower. "My favorite part is just being out there racing and having the control of driving the car."

In a predominantly male sport, females who try to get



Nicole Bower at Williams Grove Speedway with her 410 Sprint Car.

into that sport find it hard.

"It is harder to get the respect from guys, but once they realize you mean business, they treat you like one of

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### Susan Taylor joins the Women of DSU for an evening of empowerment

By Allison Hazel



Susan Taylor

In celebration of this year's Women's Empowerment Week, our current SGA President Shelbe Hudson, and Women's Senate held a remarkable and moving event titled "Just the Way You Are" in the MLK Student Center.

On Tuesday, March 19 the event was hosted by a panel of phenomenal women including award winning journalist, former editor-in-chief of Essence magazine, and founder/CEO of National Cares Mentoring Movement Susan L. Taylor.

Taylor was joined by some of the most influential women on campus including Dr. Francine Edwards, Candy Young, and Germaine Scott-Cheatham.

The soft-spoken Susan L. Taylor was introduced by mass communications student Kayla Morrison-Williams.

Williams spoke briefly about Taylor's accomplishments within the mass communications field.

Williams also touched upon the mission of Taylor's organization the National Cares

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# Faculty Spotlight: Dr. Kmeic Fights Sickle Cell Professor making his mark on the world

By Lisa-Marie Mcdonald

Delaware State University's chemistry department chairman, Dr. Eric Kmeic is making significant strides to find a cure for sickle cell anemia patients.

This is achieved through the mechanism of gene editing, or "genetic spell-check" using synthetic DNA molecules.

Kmeic and his team at Delaware State University have conducted extensive research centered on understanding the mechanism and regulation of gene editing. The research is conducted at both the undergraduate and graduate level.

Through his experience as a biochemist, Kmeic incorporates the use of specialized molecules for the treatment of inherited disorders such as sickle cell. He has developed a protocol that achieves a sustainable level of genetic correction in human cells. Kmeic and team have successfully identified "the how" to treat sickle disease through the use of gene editing, and are currently exploring the "when" by constantly



Dr. Eric Kmeic

monitoring the frequency at which gene editing takes place. "The treatment is effective but it's not at a frequency where we can

treat patients. We have uncovered a number of different technologies to increase the frequency to a conservative 10%"said Professor Kmeic.

Delaware State University is widely recognized for its profound contribution to sickle research. The A.I. Dupont Children Hospital has recently partnered with DSU to develop a treatment for the sickle cell disease. "We share a bench to bedside relationship. We work in the bench and report to A.I. Dupont where the results are used to treat patients with the disease," stated

Kmeic. DSU was also the 2012 recipient of the Proudford award for excellence in sickle cell research.

Dr. Kmeic is also the recipient of multiple research awards from the National Institutes of Health, the American Cancer Society, and has authored over 140 scientific publications. He jokes about his aspirations of being a professional baseball player in Massachusetts, but settled for a less heroic career as a renowned expert in molecular medicine and gene repair. Hats off to a fellow hornet making an indelible mark on the world!

### **Appreciate the Arts Gallery**

By Maleika M. Bates

How many of you have walked into the library, totally ignoring the Arts Center Gallery entrance on the right side?

Many people on this campus, both students and staff, are unaware of our Arts Center Gallery here on campus.

The Arts Center Gallery is the show room for our very own peers- students in the art department, visiting artists, and often a venue for different programs.

The Gallery is open Monday through Friday from 9am to 3pm.

Here is a schedule of its Spring 2013 semester events:

Student Honors Show Student Honors Reception Spring Senior Capstone March 28-April 12

April 5 April 18-May 2

Also, like their page on Facebook: www.FaceBook.com/ArtDsu

### Dr. Beverly Guy-Sheftall Gives Lecture on Women's History

By Kyle Walker

On Monday, March 25, the Women's and Gender Studies Program of DSU hosted a guest lecture featuring African-American feminist Dr. Beverly Guy-Sheftall.

The event, which was entitled "The Transformative Power of Feminist Activism," was held in the Longwood Auditorium of the Bank of

America Building.

Before going into the basis of her lecture, Dr. Guy-Sheftall gave the audience a background of her life. Growing up in the Jim Crow segregated South, she excelled academically, graduating from high school at age 16 and from Spelman College at age 19, where she would later become a professor of English and women's studies.

While attending graduate school at Wellesley College, Dr. Guy-Sheftall took her first class in women's study, which really made her more interested in studying important events involving women in Black history.

During her lecture Dr. Guy-Sheftall discussed the 1963 March on Washington, which was famous for Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech. She mentioned that during the march, women were not allowed to speak, unless they were singers.

"The only women that were heard were Mahalia Jackson and Marian Anderson," said Dr. Guy-Sheftall.

One of the notable moments of the lecture was when Dr. Guy-Sheftall mentioned the name Claudette Colvin. Colvin was a 15 year old Black



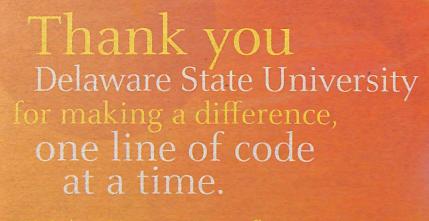
Dr. Beverly Guy-Sheftall

girl who was arrested in March of 1955 for refusing to give up her bus seat for a white person. Even though she did this before Rosa Parks, who performed a similar act nine months later, Colvin did not receive as much acclaim for it as Parks did.

"I'm sure that most of you have never heard the name Claudette Colvin," said Dr. Guy-Sheftall.

Dr. Guy-Sheftall's role in feminism has led to her becoming the founding director of the Women's Research and Resource Center at Spelman. She has also authored several books, including "Gender Talk: The Struggle for Women's Equality in African American Communities," which she coauthored with Dr. Johnetta Betsch Cole.

Dr. Guy-Sheftall continues to spread her views to audiences across the country.



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### John Legend Inspires DSU!

By Allison Hazel

John Stephens, better known by his stage name John Legend, is more than a musician. He is also a philanthropist who wants to cease poverty and to improve the education system.

On Wednesday Feb. 27, John spoke about his career, philanthropy, and global concerns, during "An Evening with John Legend" at Delaware State University. Over 500 people filled the Memorial Hall Gymnasium for the event.

"An Evening with John Legend" began with an exceptional speech, followed by a Q&A session in which audience members were given the opportunity to ask Legend a question.

During the introduction of the speech, Legend emphasized the importance of education. He believes that a student comes to college in order to open their mind, challenge ideals, and become a better thinker.

"Without education, doors remain



closed," Legend explained before he shared with attendees' information about his life and career beginnings.

After graduating from the University of Pennsylvania, Legend worked in the corporate world for a few years.

Although Legend had a nine to five, he pursued music on the side and played gigs at midnight.

From 1998 to 2004, John worked on building his career. In December of 2004, John released his debut album 'Get Lifted'.

"Whatever your passion is, follow it! Do whatever it takes", said Legend.

The event ended with a brief perform-

ance. Members of the audience sang along as Legend performed some of his greatest hits such as 'Ordinary People' and 'Tonight'.

"Being a big John Legend fan, I really enjoyed the event", said Krystal Francis, a junior majoring in mass communications.

"He's such a great musician and he sounds just like the CD! I also learned a lot from his speech", she added.

Legend sat down for an exclusive Q&A session with The Hornet:

The Hornet: Not only are you a singer, but you're a songwriter, producer, and musician as well. How were you introduced to music?

John Legend: Music was in my family, I grew up around people who played music in church. My mother was the choir director and my dad played the drums. I was around people who loved to sing and I began playing the piano at the age of four.

**Hornet:** Songs such as 'Ordinary People' and 'Everybody Knows' are so relatable. Are your songs based on personal experiences?

**Legend:** No matter what, I'm trying to tell a story that connects to the audience. Sometimes it's personal feelings or [it could be] something I've read.

**Hornet:** So do you write the music first and compose the rest of the song from there?

**Legend:** Yeah, I write the music first so I could figure out the melody.

**Hornet:** You've collaborated with a ton of artists. At this point, is there anyone you aspire to work with?

**Legend:** Not really aspire, but I'm willing to work with new and established artists



**Hornet:** Aside from music, you're a philanthropist. What inspired you to get involved and become the remarkable humanitarian that you are today?

**Legend:** I was raised by parents who had a mission in life to help other people. We volunteered at church and took in foster children. I knew what it meant to be a good person.

**Hornet:** I know you're a firm believer in education. What piece of advice or words of encouragement would you give the youth in terms of staying in school?

**Legend:** [as for college students] you have the ability to use your knowledge for good; don't waste the opportunity.

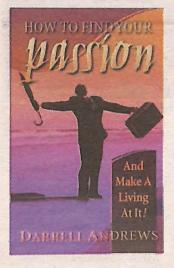
**Hornet:** What about the younger kids? **Legend:** Stay in school, study hard, and don't be afraid to succeed.

Hornet: Lastly, do you believe HBCU's are still relevant and important?

Legend: Yes. HBCU's have done a great job of educating young people when other schools didn't want to. HBCU's have brought up people like Dr. King [as well as] the doctors, professors, and business people. So, it's important to support HBCU's, the UNCF committee, and encourage our young people.

### Passion Goes a Long Way

By La'Erica Conner-Sims



On Wednesday, March 20, Darrell "Coach D" Andrews hosted a workshop entitled "Turning Passions into Careers and College Majors" as part of DSU's Career Week.

Coach D is Personal Development Specialist and the author of the book "How to Find Your Passion and Make a Living at It."

Coach D attended
Cheyney University, another HBCU located in
West Chester, PA. He
spoke about his family and
how important they are to
him. His cousin Lily from
St. Louis, MO and his
mother, who were both in
attendance as he spoke at
DSU.

Coach D started off the workshop by saying that people who find their passions wake up and say, "Thank God It's Monday!" He presented a slideshow and touched on several different areas that can help students better prepare themselves for their future careers. He told the students that "Purposes are born out of our perceptions."

There were a lot of quote-worthy moments during Coach D's workshop. One of those quotes required students to think a little bit deeper.

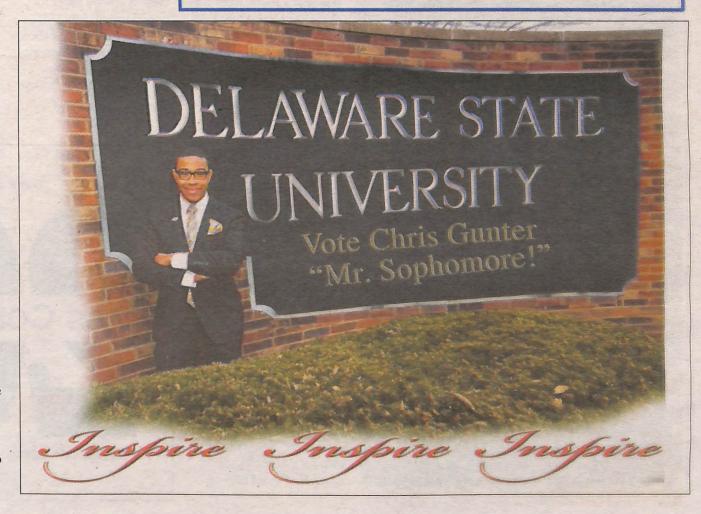
"Show me your friends and I will show you your future," said Coach D. "Surround yourself with friends who share your same values."

Having strategic goalsetting was also an important point that Coach D wanted the students to keep in mind. People who have a strategy and plot out what they want to do are the people who become successful in life.

Coach D also spoke on developing a dream team. He said that these teams do not have to include a lot of people. They should incorporate people who will help build the success of the team.

This was a very informative and entertaining workshop. Those who attended were given a lot of useful information to take away and use in the future.

If you think you can, or if you think you can't, you're right! – Henry Ford



### Louis Wraps-Up Inaugural Women's Basketball Season

#### By Amanda L. Alexander

On May 31, 2012, DSU welcomed Tamika Louis into the Hornet family as head coach for the Women's Basketball team.

The 2012-13 season wasn't as successful as she would have liked.

The team finished 10-21 overall and was knocked out of the quarterfinals against Hampton University in the MEAC Tournament.

"I've built a strong relationship with my players on and off the court and have tried getting to know them personally, what their dreams and aspirations are."

"They've all become like my twelve kids," says Coach Louis.

Before really opening up to her as their new coach, they were a little skeptic.

"They were a little apprehensive because I'm totally different than the last coach and they didn't really understand my expectations."

"They didn't shun me, they accepted me," says Coach Louis.

Being able to build a bond with thirteen females can be tough, but Coach Louis has handled it very well.

She enjoys getting to know her players and helping to usher them into adult-

"I'm from Flint, Michigan, and have been in Delaware since June of last year," says Coach Louis.

Growing up, Coach Louis played basketball, but that's not all.

"I tried running track; I was told that I was fast."

Although Michigan may seem very far from Delaware, that didn't stop her from

making the final decision to coach at DSU.

"I really liked President Williams and being under his leadership."

Coach Louis also liked DSU's future direction and she admitted that coaching at an HBCU was her dream job.

It's not always about business with the Women's Basketball team; they also know how to have fun too.

"We get a chance to laugh a lot, we dance, and we just have a good time on the bus."

Coach Louis also stated that they get to see a different side of her, outside of coaching.

Coach Louis wants to make sure that she has left her mark at DSU.

"I want people to remember me as somebody that had a lot of energy and that constantly tried teaching life lessons," said Louis.



Head Women's Basketball Coach, Tamika Louis

#### **Study Group!**

Office of Mentoring and Advising

When: Every Monday and Wednesday from 7:00-8:00

Where: William C. Jason Library Room 210

Tudors and Mentors for math, English, and sciences will be available.

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### The Madness of March - MEAC Style!

#### By Kyle Turner

All across the country, tournaments go on the week before Selection Sunday and in some cases, the conference tournaments are more exciting than the actual NCAA tournament itself.

The MEAC may not receive the acclaim that the Big Ten, ACC, or Big East conferences receive, but this year's tournament was absolute chaos. Mary Hill, associate athletic director at Delaware State, believes this MEAC tournament was the craziest she has been a part of.

"I have attended the MEAC tournament for many years," Hill explained.

"This tournament was one of the top tournaments I have attended in a while. A lot of the games went to overtime on the men's side which was very exciting. For the women, the margin is closing. It was really good competition," she responded.

Putting the tournament together is be an incredible task.

"Selecting a host city is handled by the MEAC committee. They accept bids for a host city and once all of those bids are

received, the committee reviews and announces the host city," Hill replied. "Hotel accommodations are a part of the process as well. A city must meet a lot of criteria before being chosen. The host city will host the tournament for three years before a new host city is chosen."

With such a process, there is always room for improvement right?

"The conference office supplies a reading contest for kids to get them involved in the MEAC tournament. This contest is



**Photo courtesy of Carlos Holmes** 

held for third graders and a monetary award is involved to promote reading," Mrs. Hill praised. "These kids and their parents have a chance to experience the MEAC tournament. There are coaches' clinics to expose

high school kids and coaches as well."

Another year of MEAC basketball on the horizon and the expectations are just as high next year. It is sure to be another exciting MEAC tournament next March.



#### The Post is improving on customer service and implanting effective changes

Compiled By Synquette Wilks

Joseph Murray is the new supervisor at The Post here at Delaware State University, he answered a few questions with helpful information on how he believes he will improve The Post and things students, faculty and staff should be aware

1. What is your number one short term and long term goal in improving the Post, for students, faculty and staff at the University?

Joseph Murray: I think I'd have to say communicating to everyone that they are important to me and to my crew would be the number one short-term goal. I want everyone associated with Del State to know that we are working diligently to make whatever improvements we can to give them a Copy Center and Mailroom they can rely on, be proud of, and enjoy visiting.

As far as long-term goals, number one for me would be ensuring that the proper processes and procedures are in place and documented for everything that we do.

Even as we speak, an on-site Procedure Guide, an Inventory Control Process for tracking and ordering paper, supplies, etc., and an Individualized

Training Program for each employee are just a few of the things I've got in the works.

2. You've mentioned that a monthly newsletter is being considered to keep students updated on things that are happening at The Post regarding policies and procedures, what are some new polices or procedures that the University should be aware of?

Joseph Murray: I'm looking to keep everyone updated on not only policies and procedures, but also really anything we've got happening that might impact the customer experience.

As regards to policies, perhaps the two most important are policies that have actually been in place but that we're going to have to enforce more consistently for the greater

1. Package Pickup Time is 1:30-4:30 only: Packages are generally delivered between 9:30am and 12:30pm, so we need every minute of that time prior to 1:30pm to ensure packages are ready to be picked up when 1:30 rolls around.

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### WHAT'S **BUZZIN' IN** THE HIVE?

By Ava Perrine, Advisor

#### Spoken Word—It's ON!

Who: "Suite Franchon's Soul Opera,"( peacelovepoetry.com), a professional production featuring poetry, live music, monologues and more. When/Where: Thursday, April 11th, 8-10 p.m., MLK parlors) Hosts: The Hive, Graduate Students Association, Spoken Word Artists United, Men of Color Alliance. Cost: \$2 in advance (DSU Ticket Office 857-7306). DSU students will perform for prize money. See the Hive's Twitter @WDSURadio for updates.

#### The Hive Buzzes about **Mass Comm Day!**

Thursday, April 11th is set for the Mass Comm department's annual professional development conference, "Mass Comm Day." Workshops and panel discussions with alums and other industry professionals are on tap. There'll be a mass comm career fair, Lambda Pi Eta honors induction, and other goodies. Christopher "Play" Martin of the "House Party" movies franchise is slated to attend the conference to hang--all day. If you're mass comm, on 4/11/13 you know what to do and where to be.

#### Lets Re-Tool Our School

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The Hive challenges all other organizations to help us take DSU to the #1 slot. Don't we all have friends, family, play cousins, neighbors, religious affiliations, fraternities, sororities? The list is endless. Lets stop playing and get it done!

#### Radio Heads Needed **@The Hive**

Contrary to what the uninformed say, RADIO is neither dead nor dying. RADIO is interesting, fun, challenging-all the way live. As the school year draws to a close, the Hive seeks 2013-2014 staff. All top managers graduate next year, but their slots must be EARNED. Start now! Writers, talkers techies, creatives, organizers. Whatever you do, we want you. Are you radio ready? Stop by the station-ETV bldg, 1st floor.

#### **Boys & Girls Club** Wednesdays

Listen for the kids' shows during their weekly Hive visits, 5-6:00 p.m.

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the guys," Bower explained.

The shining achievement of her racing career came a couple

"In May 2010, I became the first female to win a Sprint Car race at Williams Grove. The exact track where Jeff Gordon, Kevin Harvick, and even Kasey Kahne have won," Bower said.

With graduation on the horizon, Nicole has plans in racing.

"After graduation, I would like to make this my career," she chimed.

"I love dirt track racing and anything involved with racing. My ultimate goal is to get to NASCAR, but if not, I will do anything involved with racing. I can do this forever."

#### **TAYLOR**

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Mentoring Movement.

Taylor opened the event by expressing her thoughts and concerns regarding the African American community; more specifically women in the African American community.

Taylor emphasized the importance of embracing and loving one's self. "It is a gift to be born black and female in the now-time. There are so many opportunities for black women today," said Susan L. Taylor.

As the evening progressed, the topic of discussion ranged from acceptance, love, pain, beauty, courage, education, health, and friendship.

"Acceptance is learning how

to ask questions and to continue learning about who you are," said Francine Edwards Public Relations professor and adviser of the Public Relations -Student Society of America (PRSSA).

The women on the panel let the audience into their personal lives by discussing their past and present challenges.

Furthermore, the panel spoke about the art of multitasking and how to balance a career, motherhood, all while still having "quiet time."

At the end of the event, Shelbe Hudson thanked the panel for sharing their words of wisdom and presented Susan L. Taylor a gift. Taylor thanked DSU by saying that there was no place she'd rather be.

#### **WELLNESS**

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Ervin Brown, a Wellness Center supervisor, adds, "We encourage student participation in different activities. We have seen a consistent number of students attending.

However, more students are being encouraged to at-

The Wellness Center has eight components: adapted recreation, aquatics, group fitness, informal recreation, intramural sports, special events, sport clubs, and student staff development.



From left to right: Supervisors Ervin Brown Ashlee Brannon pose for a quick snapshot while working.

Each component area works with the university's mission to improve student fitness.

Brown says, "Many are not used to coming to an HBCU and seeing a state of the art facility. It says a lot about how important the department is to this university."

### Becoming a Professional Student

## How communication is important in and outside of the classroom

By La'Erica Conner-Sims

Whether you are a freshman or a senior, it is essential for you to know how to properly communicate with others.

Dr. Francine Edwards, a Mass Communications professor, says that every student, "Should learn how to effectively network."

"That means building relationships with faculty members and peers, and getting involved in professional organizations," Dr. Edwards continued.

Taking your classes seriously and doing your best work will benefit you in the end. Students should remember to be presentable while they are in class.

"Being on time is a huge aspect of professionalism," Dr. Edwards said. She added that students should submit papers on time and should use the resources available to them.

When approaching a job situation, you should take the initiative to get to know the company you plan on working for. Dr. Edwards





insists on students researching the company beforehand so they are familiar with the background and values of the company when they get hired.

Communication is important because it is universal.

Therefore, you need to know how to speak effectively.

Make sure to be clear and keep from speaking low.

Being a college student means having to learn how to deal with life in a more mature manner. You cannot approach situations with the same mindset you had in high school. It is important to know how to present yourself professionally to others.

Profanity, derogatory

words, and slang words should not be used while you are in class or at work.

Once you clear up your vocabulary, work on your professional attire. Everyone should have at least one outfit that is appropriate for a job interview and as office wear.

What is acceptable? For The Guys:

- Suit Pants
- Suit Falls
   Suit Jacket
- Button Up Shirt
- Dress Shoes
- Tie & Belt
- Socks

#### For The Ladies

- Dress Pants
- Pencil Skirt or Regular Dress Skirt
- Blazer
- Button Up Blouse
  - Dress Shoes
- Belt
- Socks or Hosiery

Women should remember to keep the heel limit low if hired into an internship or a job. According to wisegeek.com, the heel limit should be around two to three inches.

## Judging a book beyond its cover

By Travis Brunson

Ashley Tabibian is a DSU freshman whose ethnicities include: Armenian, British, Irish, and French.

"My dad is Armenian, French, and Irish and my mom is British," says Tabibian.

Tabibian participates in all that her ethnicities have to offer.

Every French holiday, Tabibian visits her grandmother and participates in preparing the traditional Armenian cuisines that include Souboreg, Taboli, and Montah.

Tabibian says, "Souboreg is particularly hard to make. It requires a rare, fine pasta dough that has certain herbs that you normally can't find in this country."

To practice her Armenian heritage, Tabibian partakes in saying the Armenian prayers and singing nursery rhymes with her family in the way one would with a Christmas carol.

"I am more open to trying new things.

I accept people due to the Armenian ethnicity being rare.

It has made me more aware of my heritage and family's legacy," says



Freshman Ashley Tabibian studying in DSU's library.

Tabibian.

"My grandfather and grandmother, where they lived was about living off land and being self-sufficient.

Farming is a great example for that. Armenian's have rich land and a healthy economy.

Becoming an Agri-Business Management and Plant Science with Agronomy major only seemed appropriate," added Tabibian.

Having multiple ethnicities has not come with social acceptance, however.

She has been the subject of racial profiling throughout her school years.

Tabibian says, "People would tease me about my

last name and call me "Taliban." However, they don't know that the Turkish and the Taliban completed genocide on the

Armenians.
It really does affect me."

In her free time, Tabibian enjoys horseback riding, hiking, camping, and growing traditional British crops.

Many people link the Armenian ethnicity to the famous Kardashian fam-

"I am very proud of my ethnicity.

I feel that the Kardashian's show a very negative side of my ethnicity.

Hopefully, I can show what it really is like to be Armenian."

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Joseph Murray: We sell stamps in singles, books, or rolls. The current price is 46¢ for one stamp, \$9.20 for a book of 20, and \$46.00 per roll of

Priority and Express Mail rates will vary depending on what is be being shipped and to where.

We sell various size envelopes and are currently working on updating

pricing for these which in some cases will actually be less than was being charged previously.

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In Mail Services, we offer most services a local post office would offer and likewise can ship via FedEx and UPS.

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5. Does the Post offer any go green projects/plans? At certain universities students can drop off: e-Waste, used batteries, shipping popcorn/bubble wrap, empty Xerox/ printer cartridges, and paper that needs to be shredded to their mail room in order to Go Green. Does the Post offer anything like this or will they incorporate something like this in the future?

I am looking into some of these types of things but nothing is in place as of yet.

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### Is Technology A Friend Or Foe?

By La'Erica Conner-Sims

Many of us can agree on the fact that technology has affected us in one way or another.

We can take college courses online, video chat with others from our smartphones, and access thousands of books from our tablets. We now live in a world that seems to be consumed with vast amounts of technology. It might not be evident to everybody, but all of these devices we carry around can hurt the relationships and friendships we have.

Texting is one feature that has been developed for phones of all types. This feature is often backed by unlimited texting plans which engulf consumers into buying them. Having an unlimited amount of messages may make some people use their phone more often to take advantage of this luxury. This may in turn affect some friendships and relationships that people have with one another.

Imagine this scenario, you are out on a date at a restau-

rant and your date has yet to put their phone down; or perhaps your date keeps on picking up their phone every time they receive a new text message. If this is your first date, you might begin to feel neglected because your date is paying more attention to their phone than they are to you.

First impressions are believed to be very important. So, if your date has yet to engage you in a conversation, you might start to lose interest in them. Communication amongst those who are dating is very important. If you cannot start or keep a conversation with your date, then you should try addressing the problem to them. Let them know that their phone is a distraction and you would appreciate it if they put it on silent or put it out of sight.

If you are already in a relationship and are experiencing this with your partner, let them know as soon as you notice it. Relationships are deeper than regular friendships and any problems that arise should be addressed quickly. Having a partner that is more interested in spending time on their computer or their phone could make you feel like you have

to compete for their attention.

This should never be the case. You should never feel like a piece of technology

is more important than you. Talk to your partner and convey how you feel to them. If they make you feel unimportant, then tell them

Try to plan activities where your partner will have little to no need to use their computer or phone. Going to the movies, signing up for classes at a local gym, even having a picnic lunch are some ways to spend more one-on-one time with each other.

You can also use these same tips for addressing problems that you notice amongst your friends. Just remember to remain calm, tell your friend/partner how you feel, and give your ideas on how they can limit their use of their devices when spending time with you.

### Nerb Blurb: PlayStation 4, Was It Worth the Wait?

By Krystal Francis

Many video game fans were disappointed with Sony's big reveal of the most anticipated PlayStation 4.

The event didn't show the console itself or any of the prices or release dates but the event did show a line-up of a variety of next-generation games to be released.

The biggest disappointment about the new PlayStation is that it isn't backwards compatible, which means the system can't play PS3 or



PS2 games. Many gamers wonder if the system is worth their money.

A few new concepts were made public at the event, like Cloud Streaming. Cloud Streaming means faster downloads of games, more social gaming, and my favorite, the ability to take over your friend's

controller when they're in need. This will make Call of Duty an even more fun ride!

The event had an array of big developers showing off their exclusives that they're going to release on the new PS4, and also what the new upgraded next-gen system adds to the table. There were a few games that created some buzz and make fans slightly consider the new system.

<u>Diablo 3</u>, the next installment in the ever popular Role Playing Game series, and it looks like it won't disappoint. The PS4 makes the game seem even more real and thrilling. InFamous: The Second Son, had the most exciting promo video. The creators of the series are adding to the Infamous universe, raising issues about privacy and the cost of freedom. Then there's Knack, the creators of Jak and Daxter, and Ratchet and Clank bring this game to us. This is a fun platformer that has the same humor of the other famous platformers.

The last game to catch my eye and is also kind of a wild card is **Watch Dogs**. This platformer brings to the table innovative levels and also presents to the gamer a world where the player can hack mostly anything in the world. Most of these games will be released to the PS3 and PS4, so do not worry! Keep an eye out for more PS4 news, and hopefully the excitement for the new PlayStation will pick up.

### **Buzz Worthy Eats: The Red Bowl**

#### By Valprecious Ham

Sunday afternoons are generally reserved for sleeping in, studying, catching up on my favorite shows, and most importantly eating all day.

It's how I like to celebrate the end of a six-day workweek and the best way to cope with the start of a new six-day workweek.

This past Sunday was really no exception, except for the fact that I didn't really have the energy to cook anything at all, so I talked my favorite partner in crime into going on a "food venture."

After an hour of searching the web for new places, terrible indecisiveness, and a serious case of the hunger grumbles, we stumbled across a magnificent photo of what appeared to be a super fancy stir-fry place called The Red Bowl.

We did a quick search with Siri and found that it was only two miles away. That was it! We saved the address in the GPS and high tailed it to Main Street in Newark.

I have to admit that I was a teeny bit disappointed with the



location's appearance upon arrival, but we decided to throw caution out the window and went inside anyway.

It was undoubtedly the best decision I made that day. It was clean and relatively empty inside, and once we were seated we found that there weren't very many drink options, but the menu options were pretty interesting.

We had a choice of basic Coke brand sodas and Snapple. I'm not fond of either so I opted for an ice water. The menu was a mix of basic Chinese food favorites and a few unique options as well, including a number of vegetarian plates.

We decided to be adventurous and ordered the Sha Cha beef and Kung-Pao squid. The food came out hot, fresh, and under 6 minutes! Every bite was flavorful, fragrant, and absolutely delicious. The vegetables and squid were tender, the rice was perfectly cooked, and the sauce was incredibly savory but with a little spicy. Our bill was less than \$14 and I couldn't have been happier with it.

All in all, this is a decent place to try if you're feeling a little adventurous. It is also a nice place to try if you're simply in the mood for good fast Asian cuisine. This restaurant is perfectly priced for college students but the ambiance is pretty dismal.

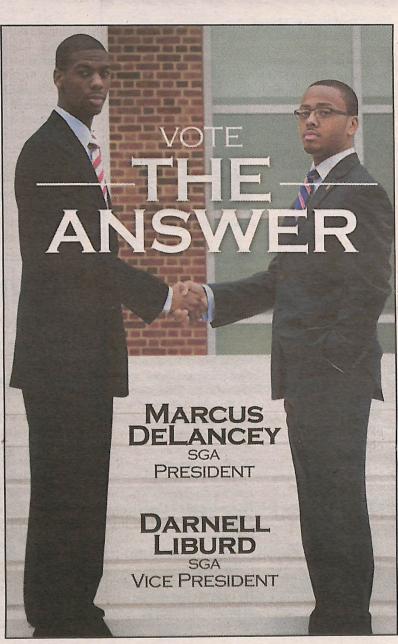


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#### **Location Information**

Name: The Red Bowl Address: 153 E. Main Street, Newark, DE. 19711 Phone: 302-737-4288 Hours: M-Th: 11am-10pm Sat: 11am-11pm Sun: 12am-9:30pm



### HBCU Profile: Wilberforce University By Allison Hazel

Founded: 1856

Motto: By one's own toil, effort, courage

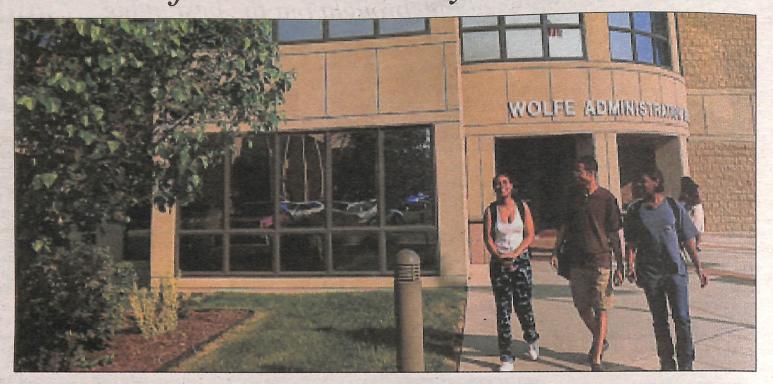
Mascot: Bulldog

High Profile Alumni:

School Colors: Green & Gold Location: Wilberforce, Ohio Academic Strengths: N/A Ranking: Rank Not Published

Betty Allen (singer), Raymond V. Haysbert (civil rights leader), Lillian Irene Hayman (Tony Award Winning Actress)

Wilberforce is the first predominantly African-American private university in the nation. The university's mission is to help students identify and prepare for their respective purposes in life as global citizens by imparting knowledge, instilling discipline and inspiring lifelong learning through critical inquiry, personal and spiritual development and practical application.



### Senior Spotlight: Joshua Watkins

Looking back on the college journey and tackling new endeavors

By Allison Hazel

In just a few months, the class of 2013 will say goodbye to their precious Alma Mater and begin a new chapter.

Joshua Watkins, a senior majoring in mass communications, says he's ready for life after commencement. "I did a lot of things education wise."

"Also, I was more than a [regular] student, I made my mark." Watkins explained. Watkins is a student employee in the Administration building.

You may have seen him working at the main desk or leading a group of prospective students during a campus tour.

Outside of work, Watkins serves as the president of Toastmasters and a member of M.O.C.A. (Men of Color Alliance). Post graduation, Watkins plans to have a career in the media field.

"I came to college knowing what I wanted to do. I love talking and interacting with others," said Watkins.

Already, Watkins has interned at PGCTV



**Joshua Watkins** 

(Prince George's Country TV). Not to mention his education and internship experience has already landed him a few job offers.

Ultimately, Watkins would like to have his own television show geared to his generation.

"I want to re-vamp our youth and inspire others especially young African American men," Watkins expressed.

He would also like to return to his hometown Prince George's County, Maryland and help out his loved ones.

Joshua described the college experience as a fast, yet slow journey. He believes that as long as he stays focused he will succeed.

### Diverse Student Spotlight Kailani "Kai" Capote

By India Lee and Destini Baldwin

Kailani "Kai" Capote is a junior at DSU studying psychology. Capote was born and raised in the Bronx, New York by her mother who is of Puerto Rican decent and father who is of Cuban decent.

Students often mistake Capote for being African-American, but actually, Capote is an Afro-Latina.

"It doesn't bother me because I know my ancestors are from Africa, but a lot of people don't understand that there are Afro-Latinos out there," said Capote.

Her aunt, Dr. Marta Moreno Vega, a professor at New York University, spoke at DSU last semester about the history of Africans and their presence in predominantly Spanish countries.

Although not a fluent speaker, Capote can read and understand the language perfectly, "At home my family and I speak Spanglish."

Capote says that she wanted to attend a Historically Black College or University, and chose DSU because the university was near home, affordable, and because it gave her a chance to be around people that looked like her.

"I want to work with children in middle school because that age is very critical. Many children are becoming depressed and people don't realize that although they are young they do go through rough times," says Capote.

She is an active student on campus serving as vice president of the Latina/Latino Association and as a resident assistant in Wynder Towers.



Kailani "Kai" Capote

"I enjoy being an RA," she said.

Kailani keeps in touch with her roots by dancing the mambo, more commonly known as Salsa and Cha-Cha.

She has an ample amount of experience under her belt, having danced professionally for about ten years. She has taught her dorm residents a few steps.

#### Living, Learning, and Active Environment

Seniors reflect on time spent at DSU while staying productive with employment on campus

By Antonio Parker

Rashaad Stephens, a senior majoring in movement science, and John Wallace, also a senior studying in criminal justice, are employees working part-time at the game room located on the second floor of the Martin Luther King Student Center.

Rashaad describes his student experiences at DSU as "One of the best experiences I've ever had in my life," citing the friendly atmosphere and diversity as the main reason for his good experience.

John described the experience as "Being challenging, but very cool," listing his friends and co-workers as the main motivation for being at DSU.

Though financial security plays a role in their decision to partake in the work-study program, each has his own specific reason as to why they chose to work.

John states that he was mainly interested in acquiring the

job to share the experience with a friend.

Rashaad explains that his reason for getting the job was to "Keep myself busy" and said he enjoys interacting with the dif-



Living, Learning, and Active Environment

ferent students on campus as a major reason.

Both students agreed that they enjoy their experience working in the game room because they "Get a chance to meet new people" and enjoy the rich experiences they have "Working with their co-workers."

As seniors who understand the importance of education, Rashaad recommends that current and future undergraduates "Keep balance in their lives and be true to themselves" and John advocates to students to always "Keep God first in your life."

### I didn't know I was pregnant!!?

#### How the labor pains of life, brought out the best in me

#### By Synquette Wilks

Over the past nine months approximately, instead of morning sickness I have experienced late night heartache.

And although my feet didn't swell, I was however plagued with a heavy heart and swollen head after all the thoughts of uncertainty that bombarded my mind on a daily basis.

Experiencing all this and the added

stress and demands I faced just living life, I began to contemplate aborting the mission of accomplishing my dreams completely.

However, although I've experienced a level of turmoil within my-

self, I view these things as labor pains, which I now see are a significant part of the process when giving birth to your DESTINY.

I didn't realize that inside of me I had what it took to reach another level of success in my life.

However I have finally given birth! Iknow pretty soon (1 month 21 days 4 hrs 46m and 47s-but who's counting) I will be graduating from Delaware State University, and if I do say so myself I'm proud of that accom-

plishment.

"There is a process to all

- The Clark sisters 'Pure Gold'

fullfillingness, there is

significance to every

trial we learn"

experience. From each

Everything up to this moment at DSU I would say played some part into turning me into the person I am today.

As I begin to reflect on my time here it has really been four years of transformation.

I came in not knowing the real definition of "chilling". I mean honestly I really really did think that we were just

going to watch movies and talk. Oh well, silly me! You live and you learn I guess.

If I could go back and tell freshmen Synquette anything I would tell her that although you were quiet and

you don't fit in much, that's not going to stop you from reaching out and making it to the place that God has in store for your future.

That you Synquette will far exceed the expectations that people had of you going into college.

Although people perceived you as reserved and thought you would turn into a party girl, you'll actually prove them wrong. And instead of bringing home a baby like they all thought,



you'll bring home a degree.

I've begun to realize I become my best self when the odds are against me, and how that I thrive in the worst circumstances.

You know I needed those words to be said, in order to light a fire in me to prove them all wrong.

I needed all the harsh critics to talk about The Hornet as well in order for it to become better. You know haters actually helped me!

Shout out to you guys!

I also needed people to become flaky, act new, and friendships to die in order for me to know whom I'm rocking with when I become multi-millionaire. I'm joking, I'm just serious.

Overall I'm simply grateful for the experience I had at this 1890 land-grant institution. I know that I have been shaped in a unique way by everything I went through here.

And if I can make it here, I can make it anywhere.

# Building a Brand and Following Your Dreams

By Allison Hazel



Allison Hazel broadcasting at WDSU radio station

For as long as I could remember I wanted to be journalist.

As a kid I pretended the remote was a microphone and I would "report the news" for my parents.

I used to mimic Barbra Walters. At

the time she hosted 20/20 on ABC. That's how my whole fascination with media kind of began.

Oprah was another one of my influences. I loved how she conducted her interviews.

She made her guest feel right at home, as if they could tell her anything.

That's something I admired.

Later on in life I became an editorial intern for a teen publication called YC Teen (formally New Youth Connections).

Instead of hanging out after school I would take the train to Manhattan and go to my internship.

I got the opportunity to work in an office setting and get advice from editors which gave me "real world experience".

I also started my own blog on the side.

It took me a while to develop my writing style as a blogger but I loved blogging.

Especially because I was able to produce content that I thought was interesting.

One day I decided to do a post about celebrities who looked alike and it got tons of readers!

I didn't know something as simple and random as that would attract people.

That's when I found my niche [as a blogger].

I decided that I was going to write posts about entertainment since I was good at it.

I also had a strong interest in music. Growing up, my mother always had the radio on.

My household was filled with music pretty much 24/7.

I love Hip Hop, R&B, Classic Soul, Pop, Reggae, New Jack Swing, etc.

I would endlessly search the internet for new music and developing artist.

I would also write about music related things on my blog to the point where it became my obsession.

I started reviewing concerts and interviewing people in the industry. I even became an intern for a record label

As an interviewer I got the chance to meet some great people.

Recently I conducted an interview with John Legend and it still seems a bit surreal.

But it was a one of the highlights if my career thus far. I think right now I'm in a good place in terms of my career.

I found "my lane" and I plan on conquering it!

A college education is one of the best investments I

Being in school allows me to network and develop myself as a music journalist furthermore a business woman.

I still have a long way to go and a lot of things to learn.

Therefore I stay humble and hungry [for success]. But overall God has blessed me tremendously and I'll continue to follow my dreams.

# Four Things You Should Have Done Over Spring Break: A guide on spending your breaks wisely

#### By La'Erica Conner-Sims

There are many ways to spend spring break.

College students look forward to spending time with family and friends back home and enjoying spring activities. However here are some tips that can help you optimize your time off next year.

Spring Cleaning Yard Sale: It might not sound like the best way to enjoy your break, but you could earn some extra cash by having a yard sale. Search your house, including for items that you would like to sell (eg. old clothes, childhood toys, etc.) Post flyers around your neighborhood, set up tables outside and wait for people to show up. You will get a chance to meet your neighbors while earning money to spend over the rest of your break.

Volunteering: Lending a helping hand is always a great opportunity for you to give back to your community. Make arrangements to help out at a church or a local organization that catches your interest. Volunteering also



allows you gain work experience and build your resume.

Road Trip: If you want to explore and get away from home, a road trip is a fun idea. Gather some friends and plan a trip to another city or state. If you plan on staying at a hotel, you could split the bill amongst your friends to make paying easier.

"I went to Florida with my best friend who lives in Indiana since we haven't seen each other since the summer," said Ebonee Davis, a senior at DSU. "We rented out a condo to stay at for the whole week."

Planning a trip to see other family members is another way to spend your

break. You will be able to catch up on family news and spend time with those you have not seen in a while.

"I went away to Chicago for the first time with my father to visit my god family," said senior Shamara Brummell.

Traveling Overseas: If you want to be a bit more adventurous, think about international locations you would like to visit. Be sure to do a search regarding passports/visas. The website travel.state.gov is great for assisting you with information about obtaining a passport/visa. There is also information available regarding the country you plan on visiting.

One student has his eyes set on traveling abroad. "I'm going to Panama most likely," said freshman Ashwell Boyd.

Spring break does not have to be boring. Volunteering, going on a road trip, and traveling abroad are just a few of the many possibilities available for you to do. No matter what it is you end up doing, have fun and enjoy yourself while doing so!

# DSU's Football Superstars Meet NFL Reality

By Sejal Mehra

Every year, the Football Coach Committee organizes a time for NFL scouts to come and watch the seniors at college campuses work out, determining who they feel are ready for the next level.

On Monday, March 18, senior football players Nick Elko, Travis Tarpley, and Justin Wilson participated in the annual pro day, which was held at alumni stadium.

This year's pro day, which started at 10:00 am and lasted for about two hours, featured about 10 players, who worked out for a Baltimore Ravens scout.

The workouts they performed were the 225-pound bench press, broad jump, vertical jump, 40-yard dash, three-cone drill, and the 20-yard shuttle.

Quarterback Nick Elko, who graduated this past December, has trained with A.S.K Athletics in Atlanta, Georgia for eight weeks prior to the pro day. Elko has participated in

several events, such as combines and all-star games. He also has another pro day scheduled for the end of March.

"I feel that I performed very well at the pro day, but there is always room for improvement," said Elko.

Wide receiver Travis Tarpley, who is a redshirt graduate student, has been training in Asheville, NC

at the Parisi Speed School, as well as Athletic Republic in Lynchburg, VA to preABON AND AND ADDRESS OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR

pare for the pro day. He feels that he greatly exceeded his expectations.

Tarpley says his goal in

five years is to be a successful NFL player and entrepreneur.

Wide receiver Justin
Wilson has been training
with Velocity Sports in
Charlotte, NC. Wilson
feels that he has sacrificed
a lot of his free time to
prepare for this day.

Coming from a family focused on track has helped him with his speed as he performed well at the pro day in the 40 yard dash. He would like to have a family in the future and finally live stress free.

These three athletes are scholars as well. They have worked hard throughout college to be successful and are now waiting for the special phone call for a chance to live their dreams.

# DSU Baseball looking to go to the Promised Land

By Kyle Turner

After coming off a heart-breaking lost to Bethune-Cookman in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) Championship game, the Hornets look to get back to the ship and take their spot as champions of the MEAC.

Senior lefty pitcher Zack Atkins believes in his team.

"After losing to Bethune, it was tough. We came into this season focused on staying healthy and doing what it takes to get back to the championship," Atkins said.

There is always something to work on in the off-season in any sport. This is no exception with the Hornets baseball team.

"During the off-season, the coaches stressed for us to get stronger and try to stay as healthy as possible," replied Atkins.

"Our top two guys went down during the Championship, so there was a lot of emphasis on getting stronger," he said.

As a senior, this is Atkins last hoorah and he doesn't want to disappoint.

"After coming out of the bullpen for the most of the year, I finished the season as a starter," he responded.

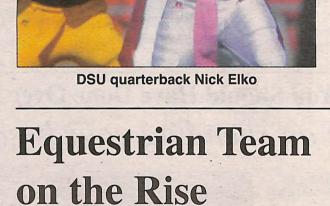
"This year, I just want to build off that and fine tune my mechanics to continue my success from last year."

Can the Hornets get back to the MEAC championship?

"We have one of the best coaching staffs in the MEAC conference," Atkins chimed. "I do believe the coaches have us ready to make a run to get back to the MEAC and win so we can get into the big dance; the NCAA tournament."

Atkins believes in his team and the Hornets are primed to swarm their way the top of the MEAC mountain.





By Teryn Chamberlain and Nicole Young

The Equestrian team is making strides at Delaware State University.

DSU's Equestrian team player Alyssa Berfield plans to compete in the Winter Equestrian Festival. The team will also launch the first Equestrian Summer Camp.

"This season's allstars are BreAnn Huyett, senior; Brooke Moore, freshman; Heather Hotz, junior; Lindsay Blum, freshman; Shelby Bonneville, senior; and Alyssa Berfield, senior," says Assistant Coach, Amanda Hotz.

Many DSU students may be unaware of the equestrian team because it is not as well-known as other sports.

The team focuses on the art of horseback riding. For thousands of years, people have used horses for many things.

The team lives, sleeps, eats and breathes horses.

According to Hotz, "This season has had its ups and downs. We have had alternating disciplines do well at different events.

We have had a really



Equestrian Player Brooke Moore earns Athlete of the Week. She was named Most Outstanding Performer in Horsemanship.

hard time getting it all together, but it is our time. We have five competitions left and are hoping for some really big wins," says Hotz.

One of the biggest goals the team hopes to accomplish is to make it to the nationals.

## Women's Lacrosse Struggles Early

By Andrew Ross

Women's lacrosse has faced a disappointing start to their inaugural season.

Adversity is expected in an inaugural season, but maybe not this much.

The team has started 0-5, but it's how they are losing which is alarming.

Through five games, DSU has been outscored 94-7!

Did head coach Jillian Lontz believe it was possible to start the season like this?

"When starting a new program you are going to face growing pains. This is just one of them. While you hope no one gets injured it's not something you can plan for either," Lontz explained.

Playing with less players than what you need is difficult in any sport, but definitely

in lacrosse

According Lontz, "Playing down is hard for any team. At one point we had a full roster, but injuries happen and you have to rise to the challenge."

As a coach, it is important to make sure your players don't get too down during times of disappointment.

"While we recognize the things we need to improve on and work on in practice, we also take time to celebrate the things we did right," said Lontz.

What will it take to get their first win?
"The biggest thing we need to work on
is accepting where we are with our roster,
and that we can still accomplish what we
set out to do," praised Lontz.



DSU's Emily Peets is #22. (photo by Rodney Adams)

### Alumni Profile: Ben Bullock

By Kyle Walker

It is important for college students to take advantage of the opportunities around them in order to be successful.

Class of 2010 DSU graduate Ben Bullock has proved this statement to be true.

Growing up in Chicago, IL and Wilmington, DE, Ben didn't want to attend DSU, but his parents basically made the choice for him.

"They were paying tuition and they felt that staying in-state was the best option financially," said Ben.

From the beginning of his college career, Ben, a broadcast journalism major, has been involved in numerous organizations on campus.

A very sports-minded individual, he was the Sports Editor for the Hornet Newspaper, he co-hosted a sports talk show on WDSU Radio for three years, and he was a color commentator for sporting events for WDSU-TV. By his senior year, he had become the Assistant Editor for the Hornet.

Ben was also a member of the National Association of Black Journalists



Ben Bullock

(NABJ), which helped him get his first job out of college as a production assistant for ESPN.

"At NABJ's annual national convention in 2010, I made a good impression on an ESPN recruiter and was able to get a phone interview a couple of weeks later," said Ben.

Currently, Ben is a Sports Information Graduate Assistant at the University of Missouri-Kansas City and is working on his master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction.

"Gain as much experience as you can while you're in college, because the more you do now, the more of an asset you can be to a future employee," said Ben.

### Female Athlete Spotlight: Dashera Richardson

By Andrew Ross

College is a place to further an education, but for some it's also a place to fulfill athletic dreams.

Dashera L. Richardson is a senior majoring in general agriculture at DSU

Richardson has been involved with track for seven years.

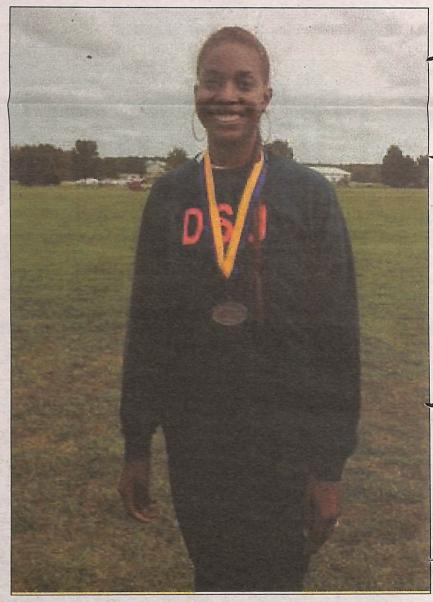
She currently runs cross-country and mid-distance for the team, and is also a captain.

Despite a lackluster indoor season, there is great optimism for the upcoming outdoor season. "This season so far has not been one of our best for indoor, but we are looking forward to the outdoor season. Our first meet is over spring break," Richardson explained.

Richardson would like to set new personal records and "leave it all on the track" for her senior year. "I want to end my senior year on a good note by feeling accomplished knowing me and my teammates were great," praised Richardson.

It seems the future is bright for DSU track. According to Richardson, There is a lot of potential with athletes that don't know how good they are and will be. I have no doubt in my mind this program will be successful now and after I graduate."

Being a collegiate athlete isn't always easy. "Compared to your average student we miss a lot of class. It can be exhausting at times if you are really dedicated to your sport," Richardson described.



Ag major and DSU track stand-out Dashera L. Richardson.

However, being a student athlete is worth it in the end. As Richardson explains, "It teaches you great time management, and you become a part of something that's more than yourself. You also

meet people faster, and always have people to hand out with. It's like your family away from home."

After graduation, Richardson plans to go to graduate school.

### STUDENT VOICES

Compiled and photographed by Krystal Francis

# American Eagle has new spray on jeans called Skinny Skinny, would you wear them or is this too far?



"That's really bad for skin. The dye will get in your skin."

-Sydney Pearsall, Junior Mass Communications



"I need space. I need privacy. I couldn't imagine wearing spray paint Skinny jeans."

-Brantly Waddell,
Freshmen
Psychology



"You just don't do that. As a male that's just not something you wear."

-Chad Benson, Sophomore Pre-Health



"I'm speechless...I can't believe those spray on jeans exist like how do you even do that?"

that?"
-Princess Brunson,
Senior

**Mass Communications** 



"I don't feel comfortable, I feel like they're taking it too far. Your jeans should not be skinny to where they have to be painted on. That's a line in a song that should not be taken literal."

-Shamara Brummell, Senior Movement Science



"First-of-all, the price of those jeans is \$50! That's too much money for some spray-on jeans! Second-ofall, I just don't like it! I

wouldn't wear those jeans."

-Katurah Adeyanju,

Junior

Integrated Studies

(Education)

# Election 2013

Debate Night!!
Wednesday, April 3rd, 2013

GO VOTE!!!

Thursday, April 4th, 2013

8:00-5:00 Memorial Hall Gym

Valid DSU LD required

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Please use this link -www.retoolyourschool.com/vote-now.aspx -and cast your vote for DSU each day through
April 15.

You can vote once a day, every day and also get out the word on Twitter using the hashtag #delStateRYS2013.

Your daily vote makes a difference!

### DSU's projects are:

Major Project: DSU plans to rebuild its outdoor student social area, including ADA-compliant pathways and grill areas.

Minor Project: DSU plans to add energy-saving window film to multiple buildings to reduce our carbon imprint.

Campus Pride: DSU plans to update its sustainability garden with raised flower beds and ADA-compliant pathways



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### **Astronaut Bolden to Speak at Commencement!**

Delaware State University will feature Charles Frank Bolden, Jr., the first African American to serve as the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) as the keynote speaker for the 2013 commencement.

The 10 a.m. event will be held outdoors at DSU's Alumni Stadium (weather permitting).

Nominated by President Barack Obama and confirmed by the U.S. Senate, retired Marine Corps Maj. Gen. Charles Frank Bolden, Jr., began his duties as the twelfth Administrator of the NASA on July 17, 2009. In that top post, he leads the NASA team and manages its resources to advance the agency's missions and goals.

Bolden's confirmation marks the beginning of his second stint with the nation's space agency. His 34-year career with the Marine Corps included 14 years as a member of NASA's Astronaut Office

He was inducted into the U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame in

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Charles Frank Bolden, Jr.

### History in the Making

Dynamic duo wants to communicate, notify, collaborate with other HBCU's, and improve campus safety

### By Jenayah A Mathis-Minnigan

"This is surreal," said Marcus Delancey in response to the win.

On Thursday, April 4, juniors Marcus Delancey and Darnell Liburd became the second male duo to win SGA President and Vice President at DSU in seven years.

"Words can't begin to describe this feeling," said Darnell Liburd, newly elected Student Government Association Vice President.

The two criminal justice

majors hail from the state where dreams are made of, New York.

Just soon after becoming newly initiated mem-

bers of Alpha Phi Alpha, the two hit the ground running and began campaigning. After a very successful

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**New SGA Officers** 

### Miss DSU: A Woman Born to Lead



Miss DSU

#### By Scheniqua Earle

Former Miss Sophomore and President of Women's Senate Chascidy Reeves is continuing to make her mark on campus by becoming the next Miss DSU.

When planning to lead one always must have inspiration and passion. For Reeves, both were not hard to find.

"I joined Royal Court sophomore

year and I became Miss Sophomore, and being under the queen at that time, Erika Kim Grant, she just inspired me," said Reeves. "I got to see behind the scenes of a queen, and that inspired me to do it. I just wanted to empower women."

As a woman of color at an historical black college, Reeves took it upon herself to serve.

"Well my platform is chosen for

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### Mr. DSU is Just Like You

By Scheniqua Earle



Mr. DSU

"If you don't make a change you will hear [about] it" says Mr. Charles Robinson-Snead, the new Mr. DSU.

Upon entering campus his freshman year, the Delaware Native made up his mind that he

"I wanted to run for Student Government Association President because I never heard of a campus king or queen."

Thinking outside of the box, Robinson-Snead decided to investigate the Mr. DSU position, and got himself a mentor, 2010 Mr. DSU Richie Cyrus.

"He took me up under his wing," said Robinson-Snead. "He is still my mentor today."

Like any leadership position, many responsibilities come along with it, but he has no fear of

"I have been preparing myself - even if there

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# DSU Joins Tree USA Initiative

By Jasmine D. Taylor

On Thursday April 18th, Delaware State University became a part of Tree Campus USA.

DSU is the first university in the state of Delaware to be in Tree Campus USA, and is the second HBCU in the country to be a part of this program.

Toyota, represented by corporate manager John Ridgeway, and the Arbor Day Foundation, represented by program manager Mary Widhelm, have teamed up to plant trees at different colleges and universities to promote the caring and protection of trees, as well as developing students to be environmental stewards.

"Our goal is to spread awareness on managing trees and engaging in stewardship activities," said Mary Widhelm

Texas Southern University was the first HBCU to be join Tree Campus USA, and it was a proud day for Delaware State University to be the second HBCU to join.

A ceremonial tree was planted in front of Lockerman Hall by President Harry L. Williams along with others who helped put the event together.

An additional 25 trees were donated as well by Toyota and the Arbor Day Association.

"DSU went through an extensive application process to become a part of Tree Campus USA," said Ms. Vita Pickrum, associate vice president of development and sustainability chair, "We're so happy this event was successful and the department worked hard to get here."

The Department of Agriculture and Natural Re-

sources/Related Sciences has over 172 different trees and shrubs throughout DSU's campus. Dr. Rich Barczewski and student Syrena Taylor both explained the vast amount of plant specimen and the arboretum here

on campus. Dr. Susan Yost was also recognized and thanked for being so instrumental in this event. With the help of our community and students, a greater planet is possible.



Tree Campus USA

### Phi Delta Theta Men Preserve the Beach

By Logan French

On Saturday, March 23, DSU's newest fraternity, Phi Delta Theta, took

to the Indian River Inlet near Rehoboth Beach to plant beach grass in order to repair damage done by recent storms such as Sandy as well as to fortify the dunes that protect the nearby homes and highways.

A group of Phi Delts made the trip down to Delaware Seashore State Park after assembling bright and early at DSU. On a surprisingly sunny and dry day, the brothers were able to plant over six bails of beach grass along with the other

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Phi Delta Theta Men Preserve the Beach

### Alumni, Celebrities and Students Come Together to Discuss the State of the Mass Media

By Dorian McDonald and Christian Perry

On Thursday, April 12, 2013, the Department of Mass Communications hosted its 10th Annual Mass Communications Day Symposium. This year's theme, The State of the Mass Media: Opportunities and Challenges Persist, garnered a great deal of dialogue between the expert panelists, alumni, faculty and students.

"We chose this theme as a result of many of the challenges that popular journalists are facing in the field," said Dr. Marcia Taylor, coordinator of this year's symposium. "Seasoned professionals are being demoted or not having their contracts renewed and it's having a direct impact on minorities in the field."

Dr. Taylor and the rest of the Mass Comm faculty worked together to bring professionals from television, radio, print journalism, public relations and film together for a day of workshops, a career fair and a student film festival.

The day began with a guest lecture by feature film producer Ashley Benton Johnson. Johnson discusses his experience in the military and what led him to Los Angeles to pursue a film production career.

"The main thing I got from Mr. Johnson is that there's no way to get to the top without starting from the bottom and you have to know the history about the job," said TV/Radio/Film major Brian Juma.

Johnson told students that you have to know where you



Mass Commuications Day. [Photo Credit Chris Wright with Wright Photography]

want to go and never sell yourself short in the process of trying to get there.

Celebrity guest Christopher "Play" Martin talked about having passion for your career and being humble on your journey to success. After his discussion, Martin spent one-on-one time with students giving them helpful career advice.

The afternoon session was complimented by a luncheon to honor student leaders in the department and 15 students were inducted into the Lambda Pi Eta Honors Society.

Also, a career fair was held in the afternoon and some of the companies present were WDDE Radio, CSPAN, CNN, and the News Journal. The afternoon was filled with workshops on everything from breaking into the film industry to careers in public relations and advertising, creating a professional demo reel and digital portfolios.

"I didn't even know what a digital portfolio was until I went to the workshop with the alumni. Now I'm working on converting my paper portfolio in a digital one," said PR major Evena Adams.

Every year Mass Comm Day grows and more students have the opportunity to connect with alumni and seasoned professionals in the mass communications industry.

"For me the best part of Mass Comm Day is being able to interact with all of the alumni that come back. They really care about us and always have great career advice." said Mass Comm student Ngozi Best.

Overall, students walked away from Mass Comm Day better prepared for internships and job opportunities, while others anticipate an even greater opportunity to engage with industry professionals at next year's event.

### DSU Mourns the Death of Jazz Legend Dr. Donald Byrd

By Marcia Blockson

DSU continues to mourns the death of legendary jazz musician Dr. Donald Byrd, who passed away at age 80 on Feb. 4 in Dover.

Born in 1932, the renowned African-American jazz, rhythm, and blues trumpeter was a native of Detroit, Michigan.

He was twice a Distin-

guished Artist-in-Residence at Delaware State University, in the late 1990s and then again in 2009-2011.

In 2009, the jazz giant established the Dr. Donald T.L. Byrd Endowed Scholarship Fund at DSU.

Byrd moved away from the hard-bop jazz idiom in the 1970s and began to record jazz fusion and rhythm & blues.

He teamed up with the

Mizell Brothers (producerwriters Larry and Fonce) for Black Byrd (1973), which became the best-selling Blue Note album.

The title track rose to No. 19 on Billboard's R&B chart and reached the Hot 100 pop chart, peaking at No. 88.

DSU Music Professor Marty Denson stated, "Donald Byrd was one of the bebop jazz musicians who successfully innovated the funk and soul genres while doing it as a jazz artist, said Marty Denson, music professor at DSU."

In addition to DSU, Dr. Byrd taught at many universities, such as Rutgers University, New York University, and Howard University.

In addition to his master's from Manhattan School of Music, the jazz artist has two other master's degrees from Columbia University.

He received a law de-

gree in 1976 and his doctorate from Columbia University Teachers College in 1982.

"Dr. Byrd began making music as a teenager but he was also passionate about education and art. Dr. Byrd prided himself on not falling into the alcohol and drug lifestyle because that was common in the music industry," said Dr. Akwasi Osei, department chair of DSU's History Department. "He lived a long successful life as a Jazz musician, educator, and art collector. I wish DSU could've paid more tribute to him."

"I was introduced to Dr. Byrd in 1996 by Dr. Osei, but I had already knew of him by his music so my husband and I were excited to see him," said Ava Perrine, DSU mass communications professor.

Dr. Byrd's legacy will continue to be felt at DSU for years to come.

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hundreds of groups in attendance.

The importance of replanting the beach grass is that when huge rainstorms come, this causes erosion of the sand on the beach.

Not only does this take away from the size and structure of the beach, it also destroys the protective sand dunes that are in place to protect the surrounding environment from being damaged from higher than normal water levels and swells.

The surrounding environment can range from the local wildlife to the people who have chosen to make the place home.

With the beach grass in place, the sand is made more stable and is harder to wash away in the tidal activity.

Phi Delta Theta Colony President Logan Mears could not have been happier with the turn out.

"It could not have been a better day," he stated. "The weather was great and I had an awesome time with my brothers."

Phi Delta Theta is also looking for more community service events.

Those interested in helping Phi Delta Theta with future community service projects are encouraged to attend their meetings, which are held on Thursdays during common hour in the Bank of America Building, Room 204.



Dr. Donald Byrd

### Jefferson Scholar Speaks at DSU

By Byron Dixon

On Tuesday, April 2, journalist, editor, historian and author Henry Wiencek gave a guest lecture at DSU to promote his most recent novel, "Master of the Mountain: Thomas Jefferson and his Slaves." The event was held in the Bank of America Building.

Wiencek, a Massachusetts native, attended Yale University and worked for Time-Life as an editor and writer for its publications. He is the author of over eleven books, which cover various topics such as world history and slavery. He is also on the board of trustees for the Library of Virginia.

During his lecture, he talked about how important it is for people to know their history.

"I just wanted to give people an understanding of the times and how many political leaders, including presidents, owned slaves during this time," said Wiencek.

After the lecture, there was a question and answer session in which students from all majors asked



**Henry Wiencek** 

Wiencek about a wide range of topics from college to

When asked if Wiencek enjoys writing for a living he said that "writing is a skill that some people take for granted and underestimate. Writing is a way of expression and solace." Wiencek, who is currently on a countrywide speaking and book tour, gave students his email address and encouraged them to contact him for writing tips and

another novel and he hopes to visit DSU again after its release.

possible internships.

writing as a career.

He is also working on

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a purpose - destined for greatness," said Reeves. "My mission on this campus is to continue to uplift and rebuild the women on this campus, and let them know they are chosen for a purpose and are destined for greatness. I realize the obstacles we have as women and we are overcoming them. I want to continue to be a role model - life isn't over - you can make it. It does not matter the cir-

Some might wonder what the point is of empowering women. Will it change them or will they remain the same? For Reeves, self-esteem is the key.

"One of the main goals is for the females to see their self esteem rise," said Reeves. "There are a lot of things I've seen serving as women senate president. These women [are] hurt and broken. If we would just talk to each other on a daily basis, we will be able to help each other. I really want to see women build."

Continuing the works of the women that came before her, Chascidy Reeves pledges to always be a humble

"Be passionate. The students can't read you if you're not passionate. Stay humble; be positive and smile. Smiles are very important for every leader," says Reeves.

Reeves is eager to begin her term as the new Miss DSU.

# DSU Students Provide Community Service Throughout Delaware

By Kyle Walker

On Saturday, April 6, DSU partnered with the United Way of Delaware to host the 2nd annual Inspired Day of Service. More than 200 students were split up and sent to five different locations throughout the state of Delaware to provide community service.

Before departing to the locations, an opening ceremony took place in DSU's Wellness and Recreation Center. Some of the key speakers at the ceremony were DSU president Harry Williams, U.S. Senator Tom Carper, Lieutenant Governor John Carney, and Victor Santos, government relations liaison at DSU and the creator of this event.

"We came up with this event to show that our students give back and it's a big part of our culture at the university," said

The five locations where the students were sent to were Boys and Girls Clubs in Dover and Millsboro, the Food Bank of Delaware in Milford, East Side Charter School in Wilmington, and the Newark Day Nursery and Children's Center.

At the Millsboro location, the students' assignments were to paint shelves and make the playground more presentable.

Junior Renaire Rivers was inspired to be involved with this event by the core values of the Kappa Kappa Psi band fraternity, which he is a member of.

"Coming out here and being

able to serve, it's just an amazing thing."

The assignments at the Dover location were to paint walls and borders and clean up the gymnasium. Senator Carper even gave a helping hand at this location.

Kemal Atkins, vice president of student affairs at DSU, was also at this location and he expressed the importance of this event to the university.

"Not only are our students preparing themselves in the classroom, the things they do outside the classroom are important, said Atkins.

After a productive day, the students returned to campus with the feeling of satisfaction and many of them plan to take part in this event in the future.



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are downfalls I am always going to make the best out of the situation," said Robinson-Snead.

Robinson-Snead plans to remain a humble person and interact with the students more while holding this

"I want people to know it is okay to have a past. I want them to know that their king has flaws. I am a student like them. I am down to earth and relatable," said Robinson-Snead.

He also plans to conduct programs and on-campus events for both him and the new Miss DSU, and also the

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### History in the Making

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campaign the dynamic duo won their respective titles.

Both Marcus Delancey and Darnell Liburd have already accomplished so much and are making their mark.

Delancey and Liburd are making history not only by becoming the second male duo but also members of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. to win Student Government Association President and Vice President in seven years.

Rounding out the new SGA executive five is Shananna Simon (Recording Secretary), Anthony Evans (Corresponding Secretary), and Natasha Peoples (Treasurer).

With much preparation, Delancey and Liburd both agreed that there were key steps they took in getting ready to serve such high positions. Delancey openly admits to having lost a presidential election just last year and he reiterated that it also helped him.

Liburd spoke about his duties and responsibilities as Men's Council President and Vice President for the past two school years. Both heavily involved with SGA since they stepped foot onto Delaware State's campus. With the skills acquired in their roles they knew it was time. Marcus shares that it was all him who convinced Darnell to run. The credentials were evident and the support was tremendous! Isaiah McCoy, current Student Government Association Vice President, was one of the names Darnell listed as a huge help!

Both Delancey and Liburd have expressed their love for this university.

With the platform of "Communication, Notification, Collaboration with other HBCU's, and Safety," Marcus and Darnell felt most enthusiastic about campus safety.

While in office, their first plan of action is to increase safety on and off campus. They hope to do so by increasing security and cameras.

While the two said that they love to hang out with their friends and have a good time, they also spoke proudly about their academic success.

They stressed the importance of being able to balance having a social life as well as being involved, but also obtaining good grades.

"School is the new fun," said Darnell.

Their message to the student body is to: "Have high expectations of us and give us a chance because with our help, you do have the answer."

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"[I want people to know] we are down-to-earth people, and if our student body would want us to come back for a second term – then I know we had a successful reign," said Robinson-Snead.

Realizing his visions have come true, Robinson-Snead does not want to leave anyone behind. He wants the students to progress with him while he is on his journey.

Preparing for the next semester and all of his duties, Robinson-Snead definitely has his work cut out for him, but of course for every king you have a queen.

"I thank God for my queen because we have the same vision," said Robinson-Snead. "We have not bumped heads once."

Robinson-Snead hopes to be successful as he prepares to serve his term in the upcoming school year.

# What's Buzzin' in the Hive?

By Ava Perrine, Advisor

### WDSU Radio Year-in-Review

As 2012-13 ends, the Hive thanks everyone who helped us persevere and stay "radio ready." Here are some fave moments from our highlight reel...

### "One Hornet, One Vote!"

The Hive rocked the vote by hosting a "Meet the Candidates Night" sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Kent County (LWV), on Wednesday, October 24th. Candidates for US Senate, the Delaware Legislature and other political offices attended as well as nearly 150 members of the community. Extra special thanks to Serena Royal (Residence Life) and Breanna Robinson (Young Democrats) and Aramark.

### **Boys & Girls Club— Home Again**

The campus' Boys & Girls Club kids came back to the Hive in a BIG way. A record 28 youngsters visited the radio station on Wednesdays, 5-6:00 p.m. Hive staff taught the kids production, editing, and other radio/audio skills. (Big THANKS to Valpresious Ham, WDSU's Community Relations Mgr.)

### The Hive Promotes Literacy

Hive staff helped Pulaski Elementary School's Read-Aloud program last fall by reading and recording stories from the school's fourth grade curriculum.

### **National Day of Service**

Hive staff participated in the National Day of Service on April 6th by continuing the station's Boys & Girls Club connection. Ten staff members donated their time and energy to clean, paint, and organize the local club located at Simon's Circle in Dover.



### Mr. and Miss WDSU Radio

WDSU Radio's own Krystal Francis, ('14) Production Director and Jamil Moore, former Operations Manager ('15) were crowned Mr. and Miss WDSU Radio 2012-2013.

### The Hive Breaks Records—Pardon the Pun

During the fall semester the Hive broke its own record with 23 shows. Diverse program offerings kept things interesting. Music genres included Jazz, Alternative Rock, Pop, Gospel and Hip-Hop. Non-music offerings included the ever popular talk shows, and shows about fashion and sports. Adding even more "new-ness" to the mix was Byun Woo Young, ('16) a Korean exchange student who streamed her show so that the folks back home could check her out; and a weather segment produced by Nettiesha Scott, ('16) an aspiring meteorologist.

### "Soul Opera" Slammed

WDSU Radio and Graduate Students Association, (GSA) hosted "Suite Franchon's Soul Opera," on Thursday, April 11th. the production featured poetry, live music, monologues and song. Poetry. Finalists from a WDSU and GSA sponsored poetry competition performed too.

### Ain't Misbehavin' play showcased to Delaware State University audience

By Jaime Gage

On April 4th and 5th, Delaware State University was introduced to the Fats Waller musical entitled *Ain't Misbehavin'*.

The 1987 Tony Award Winning musical was presented by the Department of English and Foreign Language Theatre Program and showcased the talents of 7 promising DSU students.

*Ain't Misbehavin* is a depiction of the life of musician Fats Waller during the Harlem Renaissance.

The play was directed by Dr. Sherlin Brown and was originally designed to be a 5 person cast.

A typical day of rehearsal included warm-ups, staging, dancing, and mike checks.

"We got yelled at a lot", laughs senior Brandi Hydleburg, "Our director wasn't used to working with singers who weren't really good at acting. But we [the cast] are all friends so it was never a dull moment."

Music major and senior Brandi Hydleburg, had to juggle preparing for the play, being a full time student, work, and her senior recital.

"It was really hard with the play being on the 4th and 5th and my senior recital on the 6th, said Hydleburg, "I was mostly worried about losing my voice."

Paul Menyweather also a senior and English major said, "It was a lot of running in and out of class and rehearsals but now that it's over and I have so much free time, I miss it."

The play also got rave reviews from the DSU student body.

Sophomore Kandace Hunt said "It was nice to see our fellow students put on such a great production. It takes a lot of courage to get up there in front of everybody and they did a great job."

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Ain't Misbehavin' cast

### Senior Reflection: Letter from the Queen

I remember April 12, 2012 just like it was vesterday.

I could barely sleep the night before because of the nervousness that consumed my body. When the elections results were called I remember my mind literally going blank when my name was called. It was a feeling that I had never felt before. I literally saw and felt my dream coming true.

Of course people tell you that dreams really do come true, but that day confirmed that every fairy tale I had ever read as a little girl was true. Being Miss DSU is an experience I will remember for the rest of my life. I have grown so much this year and I have truly enjoyed every experience. Although there were tough times, I am

truly thankful that they came because they helped build my character.

Thave met hundreds of amazing people during my reign and even got to fly for the very first time; although that is something I am still getting used to. The crown, the clothes, and the fame have no comparison to the joy I feel when I meet a young lady on campus who I can inspire.

I would like to thank this university for giving me the opportunity to serve as your Queen this year. I love you all. To the young lady reading this, you are beautiful and everything you will ever need in life is already inside of you. Four years ago I came in as a girl from Prince George's County, MD, and I am happy to say that on May 19, 2013 I



Miss DSU

will be leaving as an educated women ready to make my mark on the world.

In closing, to my beloved soon to be Alma Mater...Thank You. Jamesa McDonald Miss Delaware State University

## DSU Promotes Going Green

By Jenayah A Mathis-Minnigan

In September 2009, DSU adopted the "Going Green" initiative through then acting president Dr. Claiborne Smith.

This has allowed the university to become a signatory of the American College and Universities Presidents Climate Commitment (ACUPCC) and the only HBCU with a representative on the board, which is DSU's current president Dr. Harry L. Williams.

The board is composed of 80 members representing the Board of Trustees, administrators, faculty, and the SGA. In 2010, the Green Ambassadors was formed with then SGA president Kathleen Charlot in charge of the organization. Chanel Paul is the current president.

The vision and purpose of DSU's Go Green initiative will model all HBCUs. Dr. Williams continues to sustain efforts and anticipates the continuous launch of programs geared towards reaching the purpose.

Their purpose is to create university and statewide interest in establishing standards and procedures that the state of Delaware can be a part of. In the future, the Green Ambassadors plan to share its programming with other HBCUs.

DSU won the Climate Leadership Award, which recognizes outstanding examples of ACUPCC signatories that are shifting behavior on campus and within the communities to make a low carbon economy possible.

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The Better Buildings Challenge is a Presidential leadership initiative which calls on chief executive officers university presidents, and state and local leaders to create American jobs through building energy efficiency.

To obtain this distinction, DSU has met the five core standards for sustainable campus forestry required by Tree Campus USA, including establishment of a tree advisory committee, evidence or a campus tree-care plan, dedicated annual expenses for campus tree planting, an Arbor Day observance, and support of student learning projects.

The list of praises can go on and on like our recognition by Black College Magazine, but what's more concerning is just how students can get involved.

Vita Pickrum, chairperson of the Sustainability Committee expressed joy in the initiative that DSU is taking.

"There is a green heart in every Hornet," said Pickrum. Students at DSU are strongly encouraged to take part in this initiative.

### Senior Reflection: Mr. DSU Bids Farewell

Attending DSU has been an experience of a lifetime. This journey has pushed me, and allowed me to grow in every area of my life. I have been able to overcome obstacles while pursuing my dreams. As this year comes to an end, I can't help but reminisce on the past four years. I started from the bottom and worked my way to the top. I went from being a provisionally accepted Project Success student to Mr. DSU King of the University.

Severing as Mr. Delaware State University has truly been an honor and a privilege. The position challenged me, and has been an influential part of my personal and professional growth. My mission as Mr. DSU was to "Be The Change", and inspire the student body to do the same. I am very grateful for a supportive student body, and exceptional professors who believe in me. My reign was about being the best I could be to inspire all to dream bigger and reach higher. We are all Kings and Queens here at Delaware State University. I give God all the glory for my accomplishments; because none of this would have been possible without Him. It has been great being a Hornet, and I Know these will be the best memories. I am looking forward to beginning



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the next chapter of my life. I am relocating to Reston, Virginia where I will begin my career at Microsoft. I am truly walking on a dream as I make the transition from student to professional. My favorite quote by Booker T. Washington states that "It's not about the position that one has reached in life, but rather the obstacles one has had to overcome while trying to succeed". I love Hornet Nation, and I wish you all the best. "Be The Change", Pursue, Persevere, and Progress.

### "That's Not All For The Team"

By Teryn Chamberlain

The Equestrian team is continuing to make strides at DSU.

The season is over, but the team plans to prepare for the summer and next season.

"The season is over now with the last win against Sacred Heart University (Connecticut)," said Cailynn Fedorkowicz.

The team also looks forward to visits from several recruits over the next few weeks and starting a summer camp for kids who love riding horses and are interested in the Equestrian team.

Most players will continue to help out with that while still practicing their craft this summer.

Assistant coach Amanda Hotz feels that the team could have done a lot better this season.

"This season has had its ups and downs," said Hotz. "We have had a really hard time getting it all together,



Team Players
Huyett and Berfield

but it is our time."

With some more work and practice for next season one of the biggest goals they hope to accomplish is to make it to Nationals.

The Equestrian team has also made strides in the classroom by improving their overall grade point averages to at least a 3.0 or better.

DSU is encouraged to become more aware of the sports that make an impact on this campus and support the Equestrian team as they prepare for next season.

# Ca\$hing Out

# The Accounting and Finance Club continues to rack up achievements

#### By Jasmine Manley

Last year's winner of Delaware State University Student Organization of the Year, The Accounting and Finance Club continues to make a great impact on and off campus.

Not only is DSU's accounting and finance club student chapter affiliated with the National Association of Black Accountants (NABA), the club also officially received their award of Student Chapter of the Year at the Philadelphia Professional Chapter of NABA last Friday.

"The Accounting and Finance club has helped me to stay focused on my career", said junior accounting major and club president Trey Griffin, "It has also given me a helping attitude, which assists me in helping others try to reach their full potential," he said.



Group picture of the accounting and finance club and advisor Dr. Williamson



Left to Right: Mariah Edwards, Vice President, Trey Griffin, President, Genise Harris, Community Service Representative

Since its inception in 1981, the Accounting and Finance Club has provided various services and opportunities for its members as well as other students in the College of Business

On Thursday, April 11, the Accounting and Finance Club hosted an information session for students regarding the Certified Public Accountant Exam. The club invited speaker Jackie Pfriender of the Becker CPA Review to give students not only valuable knowledge about the test, but encouraging words.

"Accounting is a profession that is in demand, even failed businesses need an accountant," said Pfriender to the students. Students like senior and club vice president Mariah Edwards agree.

"Everyone has a purpose and talent," Edwards said, "If you're looking to refine your personal brand, and be a part of a professional business network, join the Accounting & Finance Club."

The Accounting and Finance club has made a great impression on its members, especially those who will soon emerge from Delaware State University as scholars of finance.

"The Accounting and Finance Club has provided me with the opportunity to mentor and be mentored to by my peers, and the tools to stay connected in my field," said Edwards.

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# I already had my flu shot... why am I sick?

#### By Logan French

Every year, doctors and health professionals implore everybody to get their flu shots.

With new technology, there is even a nasal mist for those who have problems with the syringe involved in the traditional dose.

A common complaint after making the appointment is that the flu still comes and the vaccination was a waste of time and money.

In order to understand why this is, one must first understand how vaccines work.

The purpose of a vaccination is to inject the body with a lab grown incompetent form of the virus so the body can mount a defense on multiple levels. After dealing with the virus, the body creates memory cells, which remember how to destroy viruses that present with the same mutations or patterns.

In a normal virus, spikes or tail fibers of a virus' structure attach to a host cell in the body.

The DNA contains the genetic material that allows the virus to reproduce

Viruses are so small that they can replicate hundreds of thousands of times inside the host.

The host cell gets so full with newly replicated virus cells that the host cell bursts and explodes from internal pressure, which sends the viruses that have extremely increased in size to find new host cells in the body.

The real flaw in this

theory is that scientists make the best educated guess off of the hypothesis of which strain of the virus will be prevalent in the season.

If the prepared antivirus is not the same genetically or the virus in question is not the same or has mutated from the strain the anti-virus was framed around, it will not be as effective as planned.

People who have been given the flu shot can expect mild flu like symptoms, but nothing near the feeling of a flu virus without the defenses of the memory cells from the anti-virus.

The best ways to prevent contagious viruses are to practice modern hand washing techniques, practice safe sex, and to clean and disinfect your environment often.

# Senior Reflection: Darrell Gray's Words of Encouragement

There comes a time when you realize your success depends on your associates, your decisions, and most of all the goals you set for yourself. As you read this I encourage you to think deeper, look within yourself and pursue the dream that you once put on the back burner.

During my time at Delaware State University I have been a fashion designer, a treasurer, a promoter, and I still to this day I am a dream chaser. The things you pursue today will be your accomplishments of tomorrow and I have learned that keeping the end in mind results in a clearer road to success.

To anyone that is unsure about their future, I will use my words to encourage you to continue stepping with faith and allowing your failure to result in your success. Thank you for allowing me to empower you to be a better you.

- Darrell T. Gray, DSU Class 2013

### To the Accounting and Finance Club/NABA Inc. Chapter

Congratulations on your award as Student Chapter of the Year for the 2nd year in a row from the Philadelphia Professional Chapter of the National Association of Black Accountants Inc.

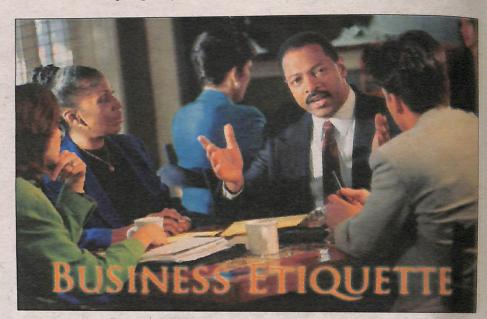
I am very pleased by your professional and leadership development. At the end of this semester, I am retiring from Delaware State University. My final words to you are this:

"Never become discouraged over closed doors. Find the open door of opportunity and go through it".

Rev. Dr. Joan W. Williamson, CPA Faculty Advisor

# Business etiquette extends far beyond board rooms

How presenting a clean and professional online presence can help you remain employed



#### By La'Erica Conner-Sims

As college students, it is important for each of us to know what to do and what not to do regarding our professional careers.

The world we live in today has been consumed different social media sites that can either help us or hurt us. We should all take some time to learn the do's and don'ts of how to maneuver ourselves professionally while utilizing these websites.

LinkedIn is a popular site. This website is for individuals who want to look for careers that are related to their fields of study. Through LinkedIn one can network with companies and their employers to gain sources for you to use in your career path.

Users can also find jobs on LinkedIn and get in contact with potential businesses. This is a great site for college students who want to be connected to a more diverse field of employers.

Although social media sites are seen as a quicker and more efficient way of communicating with others, they do have a negative side.

You are able to post whatever you please sometimes without restrictions or limitations. This is how most people get in trouble with current or future employers. Watching what you post may seem easy, but we can all slip up and post a photo or status that could result in us being fired or not hired.

Try to keep your statuses and tweets (if you use Twitter) clean and appropriate. If you would not want your boss to read it, then you most likely should not post it. Facebook has different security and privacy options now, but even if your profile information is limited to only your friends, companies can still get around those restrictions and view your personal information.

You should also be careful about what photos you upload to the sites you use. Posting photos that would be deemed as inappropriate or degrading to your company should be kept away from the internet. The best thing to do is to clean up your posts if you are guilty of posting inappropriate statuses or photos. Privacy settings are there to help you, so make sure you take advantage of them while you can.

Twitter is viewed as a more laidback website, but that does not make it okay to vent or rant on there either. Try to tidy up your tweets and keep from making comments that could hurt you career-wise. If you post something that you have to second-guess about, it probably should not be kept on your profile or posted.

Making separate profiles might be the best idea if you do not think you can censor yourself completely while online. If you make the best out of these websites, there will be no need to worry about the status of your current or future careers.

## 10 Ways to Tell If... He's Not That Into You

By Ronee Thomas

The faster you recognize these blatant "not that into you" signs; the quicker you can move on without the mess.

No matter how beautiful, charming, funny, and smart you are; there will always be guys that just don't realize this. The point is... That's ok, it's their loss not yours!

Treat yourself right, love yourself and know your beauty and worth no matter what, If you allow yourself to not be treated right, you never will!

He's not that into you:

- 1 If he doesn't call back nor text back, and there are always excuses such as they were sleeping, or their phone is about to die. It takes less than 5 seconds to text "hey what's up".
- 2. If he says he doesn't want a relationship; listen to him he's serious!

- 3. If he blatantly looks at other women when you're around, he is letting you know you're in the friend zone.
- One minute they are around, then poof M.I.A and you don't hear from or see them for a few days/ week. The disappearing act is very common when someone is not that interested.
- 5. If he talks about his EX girlfriend all the time, RUN!
- If you try to talk about you, and it somehow always gets back on the subject of them; that's because they are not that interested in you. You should not be anyone's free therapist. Anyone who genuinely interested in you will be concerned and interested as to what is going on in your life.
- 7. If he is unreliable, and you never know when he will follow through with plans you two have made. Know that you are not a priority in their lives; definitely move on.

- If he does not flirt, smile, or laugh when he is around you and everything is so serious, that's most likely because they are emotionally not there. You definitely should not have to "win" a smile from the guy you are dating.
- Body language and vibes! If the guy you are dating is pulled away from you (not in a shy/intimidated way) but if he does not touch you in any manner. Whether it's a slight hand on your shoulder while talking to you, or a quick affectionate touch to your check or chin, most people use the sense of touch as small subconscious gestures of affection.
- 10. If he puts you down, by criticizing your looks, clothing, personality, or way you do things, (and he's not joking) that's never ok.

So if you're going down this list and you're checking off mentally "yes, he does this, yes he does that" You know what time it is.

Hope this helped!

### DSU Doctorial Spotlight: Dr. Anthea Aikins

By Logan French

Dr. Anthea A. Aikins is an alumnus "Visiting Assistant Professor" here at DSU in the Department of Biology.

She holds her doctorate in Microbiology from the Department of Molecular Microbiology and Immunology from the University of Missouri after completing her bachelors at Delaware State University.

Her work during her doctorate involved researching the role and regulation of two protein cyclins in yeast and their potential role in cell division and DNA damage repair.

She currently works in tan-



Dr. Anthea Aikins

dem with Ms. Joanne Clendaniel to tame the wild environment encircling the Microbiology courses offered.

She graduated from DSU in

2004 and traweled to the aforementioned University of Missouri and completed her doctorate in 2010.

Since them, she has traveled to the New Jersey Medical School University Hospital, where she did post-doctorial research at the Cancer Center in Newark, New Jersey.

Being able to travel to different places around the United States and the world hopefully allows Dr. Aikins to hone her specialty and to allow her to learn to help people more effectively.

Despite all her travels, Dr. Anthea Aikins began her life as a young child in Ghana, West Africa. Since returning to Delaware State University, she has enjoyed interacting with students and catching up with old colleagues and friends.

Dr. Aikins, who always has a smile on her face, often welcomes students into her office to answer questions, to get additional help, or to even simply meet new people.

Always carrying her organizational box or box lid, Dr. Aikins always approaches the tasks in her life with great vigor and passion.

Her classroom and lab are run on the simplest of principals.

Don't waste her time and she will not waste yours.

One of her cardinal beliefs is

that "Your attitude in life determines your altitude."

This saying can be reiterated in the idea that respect given will be reciprocated.

This idea greatly influences not only her professional work ethic, but her life in general.

When asked about her career goals, passion and aspiration she answered to be an effective educator, research scientist, a Minister of the Gospel of Christ and an inspirational speaker.

Should you ever have a question about Microbiology or ever want to meet an outstanding member of the DSU Doctorial Staff, come and find her in the South Science Center of the Mishoe Science Center!



### **ASTRONAUT BOLDEN**

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After joining the office in 1980, he traveled to orbit four times aboard the space shuttle between 1986 and 1994, commanding two of the missions. His flights included deployment of the Hubble Space Telescope and the first joint U.S.-Russian shuttle mission, which featured a cosmonaut as a member of his crew.

Bolden earned a bachelor of science degree in electrical science in 1968 and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps.

He earned a master of science degree in systems management from the University of Southern California in 1977.

Bolden's NASA astronaut career included technical assignments as the Astronaut Office Safety Officer; Technical Assistant to the director of Flight Crew Operations; Special Assistant to the Director of the Johnson Space Center; Chief of the Safety Division at Johnson (overseeing safety efforts for the return to flight after the 1986 Challenger accident); lead astronaut for vehicle test and checkout at the Kennedy Space Center; and Assistant Deputy Administrator at NASA Headquarters.

# Senior Reflection: Last Words from The Lifestyle Specialist

By Adrian Sutton, Class of 2013

Through all of my achievements, events, and programming that I participated in I can honestly say that these four years were well spent. I have made valuable connections and everlasting memories at DSU.

I took advantage of every opportunity offered to me, whether it was an internship, or taking on various responsibilities within different organizations.

With every opportunity something new is learned and skills are enhanced. Enhancing a skill is important because after school individuals are recognized for his or her ability opposed to talent.

I would like to inform the readers on a few life lessons that I have learned while in college.

I had more good times than bad mainly because I did what I wanted, and made decisions I could live with.

Next, I learned that you cannot please everyone; you can try but you will fail. Worry more about pleasing yourself and making sure that you are happy because it will benefit you in the long run.

One can be molded into a professional by working with SGA. I loved the experience and work I fulfilled with The Powerful Progression team and the new professionals in OSLA.

Nevertheless, college is the last time you can mess up and brush it off your shoulders. Everyone should live and exhaust college to its fullest potential. You paid for the education so good grades is a given, however you cannot put a price on the people you meet nor the experiences you embrace on your journey throughout the college life.



# Nerb Blurb: The Pinterest Fad

By Jenny Creno

When I first heard of Pinterest I was a skeptical.

The whole idea of just sitting on your computer, cell phone, or iPod looking at pictures that people post wasn't something I was interested in. Then came a cold day in February the year was 2012... I gave into the fad. I requested to become a part of the "Pinterest Community" and it was over from there. I now catch myself pinning for hours at a time, it's addicting!

"What does Pinterest have to offer me?" you ask.

Here is what it has to offer: Delicious and healthy food recipes, health trends such as workouts and diet plans, fashion boards for women and men, and my personal favorite Do It Yourself (DIY) boards.

The site also features inspiring quotes, funny pictures, jokes, educational facts, gardening tips, home décor ideas, and much, much more. Pinterest is truly one of those apps that are for everyone!

However, beware that when you are trying new recipes or Do It Yourself activities that there is always the chance that it doesn't come out looking exactly like the picture you saw on Pinterest. I have seen some serious Pinterest FAILS, and have a participated in a few of my own. But, don't get discouraged keep trying and keep pinning.

So, whether you are just looking for something to pass the time, something to help motivate you to a healthier lifestyle, looking for a quick recipe, or idea for an outfit for a special event, or simply are trying to find an app that will help you become a little more domesticated, the Pinterest app is the perfect fit for you. Enjoy!

# Crunching Numbers Tax Season in Hornet Nation

By Shandell Thomas-Baisden

Tis' the season where employees get a reward for all of their hard work during the Fiscal Year. That's right, it's tax season. Many students are excited for their tax returns. Freshman Charles Gross recalled what he spent his return on.

"I used it all on gas for my car and new sneakers," said Gross.

Other students do not share the same positive attitude towards their taxes. One anonymous student is feeling overwhelmed when it comes to his taxes,

"I don't know what to do, my job still hasn't given me my W2s, so I can't even file. I just don't know what to do."

If you haven't started or filed your taxes yet, do not worry, the tax professionals from H&R Block have some advice for college students who have yet to do their taxes.

The deadline for the Federal 2012 Tax Return was on April 15, 2013. Extensions can be given, however if the deadline was missed, there is a possibility that a fine will be given for filing late. According to H&R Block's office manager, Pamela McClure, many errors are due to a lack of knowledge of Tax Laws to avoid mistakes and deductions are often overlooked.

"We [H&R Block] look for deductions and credits that are often misunderstood or missed," said McClure when asked about the risks of doing one's own taxes.

McClure also informed the Hornet that the most often misunderstood Tax Laws are the ones outlined by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), including dependency status and educational credits.

Tax season might not always be easy. However, with tax professionals by your side and lots of shopping to look forward to, tax season could become the second most wonderful time of the year.

# Buzz Worthy Eats: A Taste of India- Authentic Indian Cuisine

By Valprecious Ham

I love spicy food so it is safe to say that every now and again I like to treat myself to a variety of great spicy delicacies.

Indian food always satisfies when I am in this mood.

I love the full flavor of the sauces, the colorful medley of vegetables, and the ever present traces of culture in every bite. I am undoubtedly a lover of East Indian cuisine.

While visiting the Dover area I came across a tiny dine-in restaurant called A Taste of India.

The inside of the establishment was clean and neat and had buffet and entre options. Everything at the buffet was piping hot and appeared to be extremely fresh. The atmosphere was relatively calm and the owner was very pleasant. The presentation of the food was so well I couldn't help but to try a little bit of everything.

More than anything else I enjoyed the lamb saag and naan bread. If you like Indian cuisine you know the importance of good naan.

I would recommend this restaurant for anyone who is trying Indian cuisine for the first time due to the fact that they have a large variety of basic options to select from. They also carried a great deal of vegetarian options.\*



Overall Rating:

1 Fork - Would not go back

2 - Edible 3 - OK

4 - Good 5 - Excellent

#### **Location Information**

Address: 348 N Dupont Hwy, Dover, DE 19901

Phone:(302) 677-0121

Hours: Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday

11:00 am - 10:00 pm 11:00 am - 10:00 pm 11:00 am - 10:00 pm

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### New Pope Appoints a New 'Privy' Council

By Scheniqua Earle

On Saturday, April 20th, 2013, newly elected Pope Francis appointed a group of eight cardinals to help him govern the Catholic Church.

According to CNN, the cardinals are expected to meet next October to discuss matters of the Catholic Church. The panel is made up of two from Latin America, one from North America, one from Australia, one from India, one from Germany and one from the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Elected on Wednesday, May 13, 2013, Pope Francis is a game-changer for the Catholics, and according to CNN, "he comes with a side of controversy."

On Election Day, he chose the papal name Francis in honor of Saint Francis Assisi, which makes him the first pope to have taken the name Francis. Being from Buenos Aires, Argentina, he is also the first pope from the Americas, the first pope from the Southern Hemisphere, and the first Jesuit pope.

Pope Francis a bishop of Rome and sovereign of the Vatican City State, was born Jorge Mario Bergoglio on

December 17, 1936. He was a chemical technician before he was ordained into seminary in 1969.

Pope Francis served as Argentina's Provincial Superior of the Society of Jesus for six years, became Archbishop of Buenos Aires in 1998, and became a cardinal in 2001.

With all his accomplishments, Pope Francis was an ideal candidate for this position. On the day of his ordainment, Pope Francis had dinner with the previous pope, Pope Pope Benedict XVI, and greeted over thousands of supporters with kind words.

In the midst of the world's 1.2 billion Catholics, other religious groups such as Christianity will be able to relate to the new pope. Pope Francis' goals, according to the Huffington Post, are to reach out to other religious groups, humanize the church, and serve as an example of how one should live one's life in accordance with the teachings of Christ.

Through early examples of faith, humanity, and perseverance, Pope Francis will bring new life to Catholics, non-Catholics, and non-believers.

[Sources: CNN, Huffington Post]

### Senior Reflection: Isaiah McCoy's Farewell

As we, "The Progression," are at the end of our academic school year and Progression run, I would like to thank the students of Delaware State University for answering the call to leadership. Under the administration by the Progression, we had four focal points that we wanted to focus on: academic enrichment, school pride and tradition, quality programming and events, and community outreach. We as a student body were able to maintain and sustain the expectations that we set for DSU.

A message to the new SGA "The Answer"-Continue to be the voice for the students. Always work hand and hand with administration. Always look to the past to build a better future. Lastly, remember that the position that you have does not define the even greater level of leadership that you will bring to the returning students, international students, commuter students, non - traditional students, and our New Class of 2017.

Good Luck, Hornets!!!!

### Dangerous New Drug Trends

Don't let your life, health, or sanctity be affected by trendy drugs

#### By Ronee' Thomas

Bath salts are a legalized drug being sold across America in public stores and places.

Lawmakers are finding it hard to keep up with all the new drugs that are not sold in back alleys, or in private.

Bath salts are usually sold at local independent stores in misleading packages that suggest common household items such as bath salts, incense, and plant food.

However "The substances inside are powerful, mind-altering drugs that have been linked to bizarre and violent behavior across the country. Law enforcement officials refer to the drugs collectively as "bath salts," though they have nothing in common with the fragrant toiletries used to moisturize skin." (CBSnews.com)

The state of West Virginia has banned the drug, as well as created consequences for people pos-



sessing or consuming this drug. This problem involves amateur chemists that make and package extremely potent substances that mimic the effects of ecstasy.

Many crimes have been caused by individuals under the influence of bath salts.

This mind altering drug causes people to lose control of their senses completely and do horrific things.

One particular case in Florida involved a young man attacking and eating

the face and upper torso of an elderly homeless man. The most dangerous part of this case is the fact that the autopsy of the attacker did not reveal any drugs in his system.

(CBSnews.com) This fact not only shows the magnitude of the drug, but the severity of the consequences possible when used.

There will be many drugs that go in and out of style, do not let your life, health, or sanctity be affected or taken by the use of such "trends".

### Senior Reflection: SGA 2012-2013 President Hudson on the DSU Experience

My name is Shelbe Hudson I am 21 years old and a native of Baltimore, Maryland. I am the Student Government Association President, and a graduating senior at Delaware State University majoring in Hospitality and Tourism Management.

When I got to Delaware State University I didn't fall right into a leadership position. I have always been outgoing and very personable, I never lacked the ability to become a leader just the confidence to do so.

My mentor Brandon Maddox saw something in me that I didn't see in myself and pushed me to serve in a leadership position.

As a freshman I never could have dreamed of being

where I am now. I did not want to be the student who complained anymore, however I still wanted to be able to relate to students while also having the capacity to make a difference in someone's college experience.

I have five mentees and the reward of helping them throughout their college experience is well beyond anything I have been given in this position and is what drives me. I want to let others to know that they can accomplish anything they put their mind to.

My experience at Delaware State has molded me into a woman and young professional. It has been an honor to serve as SGA President. I have made lifelong friends at Delaware State University and I just want to say thank you.

Shelbe Hudson, Class of 2013





### Student Spotlight: Kemoy Royal Launches Icare2inspire the Anti-World Star Hip Hop Movement!

#### By Synquette Wilks

January 31st marked the launch date for <u>icare2inspire.com</u>, an online forum created by DSU senior Kemoy Royal in order to help uplift young adults.

Through research, Royal came up with the idea to target young adults experiencing mild mental health conditions, such as sadness, depression, and anxiety.

Icare2inspire displays positive content and also shares with viewers stories that showcase the resilience within people particularly those ages 17-25.

"We want to highlight: 'if

you have dreams go for your dreams no matter what it is'," he said.

Royal believes that it was always within himself to inspire others.

"I have a knack for encouraging people," he said, "I can spot the underdog because I was looked at as the underdog."

Besides a personal business deal that failed, he shared an experience where he had to keep his eye on the prize and demonstrated persevere as he moved up in ranks on his high school soccer team. He remembers starting out on the practice team during pre-season, and by the end of the preseason he secured a position

on the roster and became a starting player after the first three games.

"Don't give up because you failed at something," he said.

Beyond inspiring individuals, another goal behind the icare2inspire brand was to create a brand that symbolizes strength.

"I want to highlight the good within our generation and keep them motivated," said Royal, "I despise WORLDSTAR [hip-hop], and although it's entertaining people are still making money off the ignorance of black people."

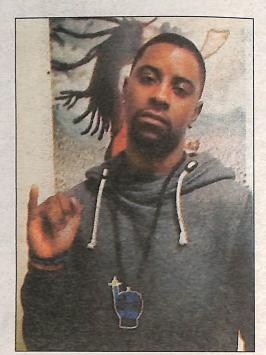
On his conquest to inspire those around him, Royal said

his sister inspires him.

"My sister is the first in my immediate family to graduate college," he said, "She challenges me, to be a thinker and individual, she's a strong motivator, there's no stronger brother and sister relationship, she is the biggest influence over my life."

Royal's future goal for the site is to expand his brand within the tri-state area and his hometown of Brooklyn, New York.

The impact that Royal wants to leave on those who view his site is: "When people see other people persevering its going to make them want to persevere as well, keeping you mentally intact."



**Kemoy Royal** 

### Woodruff Athlete and Scholar

#### By Darrien Coleman

Generally speaking, student-athletes are viewed by most people as students who are physically gifted and excel at sports, but not necessarily as intelligent scholars who look to make an impact in a career field of his/her choice. DSU women's basketball player Morgan Woodruff proves that this stereotype is inaccurate.

Woodruff has maintained a 3.8 GPA here at Delaware State and will be graduating in May, after only three years. Woodruff has been on the Dean's List every semester during her academic tenure, has completed 2 internships, and is very active in volunteering on campus as well.

"Whenever anybody needs a volunteer they call me because they know I'll do it," said Woodruff.

She credits her success academically to being honest with herself, having integrity, and knowing her limits. Another element to her success is her distance from her hometown of Bloomington, Indiana.

"I didn't have the option to go home on weekends, so I just had to focus on doing my work," said Woodruff.

This also drove her to make an impact at DSU.

"I'm really far from home so I wanted



Morgan Woodruff

to do my own thing and make a name for myself here," said Woodruff.

Woodruff said that her main inspiration is her mother, who pushed her to go to college and graduate, as well as any female who is successful in the male dominant sports world. Woodruff said that she takes more pride in her academic success because it reflects the hard work that she puts in the classroom, which is "just a foot in the door."

She aspires to use her mass communications degree to pursue a career as a sports information director or any other career that interests her after she completes graduate school.

# HBCU Profile: NC A&T State University



#### By Kyle Walker

Founded: 1891

Motto: Mens et Manus (Mind and Hand)

Mascot: Aggies

School Colors: Blue and Gold Location: Greensboro, North Carolina

Academic Strengths: N/A

Ranking: 11

High Profile Alumni: Jesse Jackson (civil rights activist),

Taraji P. Henson (actress), Ronald McNair (astronaut)

North Carolina A&T is a public, doctoral/research land grant university that offers a variety of academic programs to study from at the baccalaureate, master's and doctorate levels. Their mission is to provide students with a broad range of experiences that foster transformation and leadership for a dynamic and global society.

# Senior Reflection: A Larger Plan is in Motion...

# Everything I've Experienced has Made Me Everything I Am



Freshman Year

By Synquette Wilks

With graduation just weeks away I find great significance in the fact that I graduated college in four years.

Not three, not five but four. The number four is noteworthy to me because biblically the number four refers to cre-

Giveshare.org: The number four always has reference to all that is created. It is emphatically the number of Creation; it is the number of things that have a beginning, of things that are made, of material things, and matter itself. It is the number of material completeness.

"And on the fourth day the sun, moon, and stars were created to complete the works and to give light upon the earth and rule over day and

"Some women were made but me, myself? I like to think that I was created for a special purpose."

- Beyonce

night." Genesis 1:14-17

Now I see how freshmen, sophomore, junior and senior year at DSU were distinct years although still very much dependent on the other. However I know my journey has just begun and there is more to see and more dreams to ful-

Reflecting on my past experiences at DSU has created me into a woman that I am so proud of.

I want to thank all my pro-

fessors and those who have impacted my life on a personal level. Thanks for all the knowledge you shared and believe me it has not went on deaf ears. I will go out into the world and make you guys proud.

I also want to say congratulations to the class of 2013. You guys rock, and we did it. And on Sunday, May 19th during the commencement ceremony remember: "There is a good reason they call these ceremonies 'commencement exercises'. Graduation is not the end, it's the beginning."

- Orrin Hatch



**Senior Year** 



### **How To Play**

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- 3 Ways to Give

1) Online. Click on College Pennant 2) Mail. Make checks payable to

DSU Foundation c/o [Your College]

3) Phone. Call the **DSU Foundation at 302.857.6055** 

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### **Senior Reflection:** A Hornet Newspaper **Farewell**

My time at DSU was relatively short, but it was eventful. Coming in as a transfer student from Morgan State University in 2011, I made sure I become involved on campus to help prepare for life after graduation.

By joining the DSU chapter of the National Association of Black Journalists (NABJ) and going to their annual convention last year, I met a lot of students from other schools who had already had multiple internships, so I realized that I could do more on campus, which led me to the Hornet newspaper.

Being a member of the Hornet has been one of the greatest experiences in my college career. It gave me an opportunity to do something that I love, in addition to adding more clips to my portfolio. I also worked with an incredible staff, which made my job so much easier.

Working with the Hornet has taken me places that I never thought I would be. This past January, I was called upon to go to Washington, D.C. to cover the inauguration of President Barack Obama, which is easily the most memorable event that I covered.

Covering these types of events has really helped me become a more versatile writer. Before joining the Hornet, I was only interested in sports, but covering different kinds of events is more rewarding for me and I feel that it will help me become more marketable.

As I finish the school year, I would like to thank all of the professors from Morgan and DSU that have helped me along the way and my fellow staff members of the Hornet. All of you have played a significant role throughout my college career and you are all greatly appreciated.

-Kyle Walker Assistant Editor-in-chief

### Around the World and Back! Delaware State University's Cross Country

By Taneeya Alexander and Morgan Barber

DSU's cross country teams, both male and female, are expected to have an exceptional 2013 sea-

After finishing 3rd in the MEAC Conference, the Hornets are eager to prove that they are capable of flourishing.

Head coach Duane Henry and assistant coach Krystal McKenzie have spent a lot of time preparing the track team for another face off against Texas, Florida A&M University and LSU.

Mckenzie has been the assistant coach at DSU for two years and she believes that the most important

thing in having a team is

"When recruiting players, I look for a player with integrity, loyalty, leadership, teamwork and a good work ethic," said Mcken-

Tariq DeVore, a current member of the team, believes that they will be successful this year. Being on the team for two and a half years, DeVore feels that he knows his teammates' capabilities, strengths, and weaknesses.

"Last year, our team was unable to run against LSU and Texas because we did not make it to nationals," said DeVore. "We



Female Track Team training last spring. [PHOTO CREDIT: Desuhornet.com]

have been preparing for a rematch for awhile now, we have been slaving at practice."

Rayanna Relerford, a sophomore at DSU, has been a member of the team for a year.

What she loves most about the team is its "passion, determination, strength and heart".

One thing is certain, the team believes it will be triumphant.

### **Athlete Spotlight: Hassan Evans**

By Allison Hazel

Hassan Evans, 21, has been playing baseball for over a decade.

"When I was eight years old I fell in love with the game," said Evans.

Influenced by his grandfather and uncle who were former baseball players, Evans would practice in New York's Prospect Park.

Evans is an outfielder and pitcher for DSU's baseball team. He is a key player who has a true passion for the sport.

In 2012, he was drafted by the Chicago Cubs, but he decided to complete another year of college instead of accepting the offer. Not only did Evans want to continue his education, but he also wanted to raise his draft stock.

Evans aspires to be play professional baseball after graduation. However, he has a Plan B to fall back on.

"If baseball doesn't work out I want to be a sports psychologist," said Evans.

Evans is a member of the Dean's List, who majors in Intergraded Studies. His discipline is a combination of Sports Management and Psychology. According to Evans, every professional baseball team has a sports psychologist.

Evans has a strong interest in psychology and believes that coaches and sports



**Hassan Evans** 

psychologists play a major role in terms of an athlete's physical and mental health.

"A big part of the game is mental," said Evans. "You're always thinking in baseball, you have to know the right throws and plays to run in certain situations."

Aside from sports, Evans enjoys academics and social functions. He also has a love for music, especially R&B. Next year, Evans will be a senior at DSU and he hopes to continue playing baseball.

### Adversity builds character

By Kyle Turner

I believe I can speak for every single human when I say nobody likes to go through hard times. Everybody would love every day to be peachy and in the words of Bob Marley "Don't worry, be happy."

Unfortunately, we have hard times that can either make us stronger or break us down altogether. It's up to you or the people around you to overcome that adversity. This is a case and point with this year's NCAA basketball champion Louisville Cardinals.

More than three weeks ago, the world witnessed one of, if not the most horrific scenes in sports.

Louisville guard Kevin Ware went up to contest a shot by Duke guard Tyler Thornton, something done countless times. This time, it ended in catastrophe with a compound fracture of his leg. I can still see the images of his coaches and teammates after the incident. How do you come back from that?

A lot of people, or teams for that matter fold after such an event. It's special individuals and teams that find a way to overcome and persevere through tough times.

In the face of opposition, they are able to "rise to the occasion," the same mantra that could be seen on the Louisville Cardinals warm-up shirts.



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These guys rose to the occasion. In the face of adversity with their fallen teammate down and out, the Cardinals came together for one common goal, to win for Ware.

It's amazing in sports when something crazy happens that can change the shape of a game, that's when a team really comes together. The players and coaches might feel like they have reached their peak. Then something during the game pushes you to that next level. There is an increase in focus and intensity to reach that common goal of winning.

In life there is always going to be something that happens. Murphy's Law tells us so; "What can go wrong, will go wrong". Special people can rise from adversity and that's what character is. You find a way to overcome that obstacle in your way to reach that goal which is success.

# Blandin a Grandslam for Hornets

By Andrew Ross

Jean Blandin has led DSU's baseball program to success ever since he became the head coach twelve years ago.

He was named MEAC Coach-of-the-Year in 2012, which proved to be his best season to date.

During that season, the Hornets were 40-17-1, and went on to win the MEAC North championship.

Despite past coaching successes, Blandin recognizes last season as the highest point of his coaching career.

"I have yet to experience any low points coaching. It's a blessing to go to work every day doing something I enjoy," Blandin explains.

It's been a long journey up to this point for Blandin.

After being a first team all-state pitcher in high school, Blandin went on to play for the University of Delaware and Wilmington College.

His coaching career started at Cape Henlopen High Hehool, followed by Concord High School.

In 2000, Blandin came to DSU as the recruiting coordinator and pitching coach, but was later named the interim head coach. He was hired as the head coach the following season.

One of Blandin's goals is to be able to impact the lives of his players.

"I wanted to make the same kind of impact on students' lives that some of my former coaches had done with me," said Blandin.

Blandin has set the bar high for what he wants to accomplish.

"My ultimate goal is to win a championship with this team and go to the NCAA tourney," said Blandin.



Jean Blandin (Source: dsuhornets.com)

# The sting behind DSU softball

By Kyle Turner

A lot of people remember the episode on The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air where Carlton breaks out singing "Mr. Lonely" by Bobby Vinton. It was hilarious in the episode, but in reality, Kelsey Lewis isn't lonely. However, she is the lone senior on the DSU softball team this year.

A team in transition, the Lady Homets softball team is full of fresh, young faces. The leadership of Lewis and other upperclassmen helps.

"I feel like my experience helps a lot," Lewis explained. "Especially when going up against big schools, the experience really helps with 10 freshmen on the team. We just try to tell them it's just another game and they put their clothes on the same way we

It's her senior year and Lewis plans to go out with a bang.

"With this being my senior year, I'm just going to be going all out every game and do my best to help the team anyway I can,"
Lewis replied.

There is always someone behind the scenes pushing you to be the best you can be. For Kelsey, it's her dad.

"My dad got me started playing softball young," she said. "We would sit and watch baseball games together."

Being from New York, it's easy to guess who her favorite baseball team is.



**Kelsey Lewis** 

"My favorite team is the Yankees and all I care about is Derek Jeter. When he leaves, I'm retired from watching baseball," Kelsey responded jokingly.

The experience as a studentathlete has its perks, but the overall experience can't be measured.

"I would probably rate my experience here an 8 or 9. It's been a good experience because it's been good getting to know different people," Lewis replied.

As a senior, you look forward to life after graduation.

"I graduate in December because of softball," Lewis explained. "Since I play softball, I can't student teach but I plan to be a kindergarten teacher."

As the old saying goes, "Good things come in small packages." Well it looks like DSU softball has had a great thing for 3 years.

## Track and Field Spotlight:

Ryan Carter

By Nettiesha Scott

Track and Field senior Ryan Carter is finishing his final season strong. According to head coach Duane Henry, he is one of DSU's top track athletes.

He has been a star athlete since he started running indoor track as a freshman in high school. "Track runs in the family," Carter said. "My mother ran track for LSU (Louisiana State University)."

Coach Henry is also Carter's cousin. You can see Ryan running several track events, such as the 100 meter, 200 meter and 400 meter. He also runs on the 4x400 and the 4x200 relay teams. Some of his fastest times include running 10.68 seconds for the 100m dash, 20.82 seconds for the 200m and 46.31s for the 400m.

"My favorite is the 200 meter because it is shorter and easier to run," says Ryan.

No one likes to lose and Carter makes it his goal not to. He has been to Nationals three times in the past 4 years.

"Nationals were a great experience," says Carter. "There were a lot of people and it was a great learning experience because you see how hard you have to work".

Ryan has also been to the All-American track and field meet twice and he recently participated the All-American Indoor track meet.

"Winning the All-American would have to be my biggest accomplishment," Ryan said.

Carter's goal by the end of the season is to run 45 seconds flat in the 400 meter dash. He also wants to break the school record in the 200m. The fastest time for the 200m at Delaware State in the 200m is 20.75 seconds. Watch out DSU Ryan is looking to smash that record this season.

Ryan has also won several awards over the past couple years, including the All-



**Ryan Carter** 

MEAC Academic Team.

Carter hopes to continue running track after graduation and hopefully earn a running contract for the shore AC team in Atlantic City, which could lead to his ultimate goal of running in the Olympics one day. STUDENT VOICES

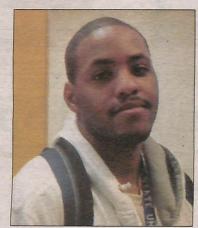
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# What changes would you like SGA to execute for the next school year?



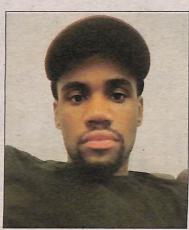
"As an exchange student, I would like to see new programs to help exchange students interact with American students so that we can hang out and get to know each other."

- Joomi Kim Major: Nursing, Classification: Junior Age: 21



"Events should be better and more organized."

- Jonathon Graham
Major: Mass
Communications,
Classification: Junior,
Age: 21



"I want SGA to bring better quality food choices for The Grille."

- Edward Egerton
Major: Sports
Management,
Classification: Sophmore,
Age: 20



"SGA should lower homecoming prices and bring more famous entertainers."

> - Aaron McCrimmon Major: Sports Management, Classification: Sophmore, Age: 19



"I want it to be like my freshman year again with more off campus activities and more interactive programs."

> - Tamika Hare Major: Biology, Classification: Junior, Age: 21



"More academic related programs and career fairs that relate to every major."

- Arielle Ruckey Major: Political Science, Classification: Junior, Age: 20



"More social events during the daytime to bring the campus together."

- Chelsea Stanley
Major: Accounting,
Classification: Sophmore,
Age: 20



"SGA should have more communication with the students to build a better relationship. More freshmen need to be aware of what's happening on campus."

- Edward Dowen
Major: Social Work,
Classification: Junior,
Age: 21



"SGA should definitely bring more day events during homecoming week."

- Kalea Phelps
Major: Mass
Communication,
Classification: Sophmore,
Age: 20



"I would like to see better public safety and more security at the gates to keep campus safer."

> - Charles Russel Major: Criminal Justice, Classification: Sophmore, Age: 21

