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## SAE events continue through co-sponsorship

BY SAM GUZIK  
SENIOR NEWS EDITOR

Despite losing University recognition this summer, Sigma Alpha Epsilon (SAE) continued to host its annual fundraiser against suicide and depression this weekend.

Co-sponsored with the business school fraternity Delta Sigma Pi (DSP), the event, "Dodging Depression," was held for the second consecutive year.

"Depression is something that goes unnoticed a lot, so we just want to send out the message that it is something that people should be aware of," said senior Lindsay Glantz, a member of DSP.

Although Sigma Alpha Epsilon does not have the ability to hold events on campus, they were able to avoid this restriction by using co-sponsorship.

"It registered under DSP and everything went very

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Members of Sigma Alpha Epsilon rush to pick up balls during their Dodging Depression fundraiser Sunday afternoon on the Swamp basketball court. Despite losing their University recognition over the summer, SAE was allowed to host the event because it was co-sponsored by Delta Sigma Pi, the business school fraternity.

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## Bathroom locks added to traditional dorms

BY ANN JOHNSON  
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

Students living in the traditional dorms will soon need to use their swipe cards to access bathroom doors, a measure intended as another layer of security.

Swipe-card locks have been installed in Lee, Beaumont, Ruby and Umrath, which will be activated later this semester.

The new locks, which are identical to room locks, appeared on bathrooms in the traditional freshman resident halls earlier this month.

When activated, the locks will then require a room key to open and will only open to students of the appropriate gender.

Although the locks are not currently operational, they will be activated before winter break. Until then, anyone able to enter the dorms has access to the bathrooms.

The installation of the bathroom locks is just one part of a comprehensive plan that Residential Life implemented since a sexual assault incident occurred in Meyers last February.

The attitude that students have toward campus safety is something that the locks might help change. Timothy Lempfert, associate director of Residential Life, cited educational purposes as one of the reasons for the locks.

"[We want to] make sure students are aware of what impact they have on safety in

the community," said Lempfert.

Other aspects of the campus security plan include the swipe-locks for all dorm rooms, peepholes in all room doors and closed circuit television cameras at dorm entrances and exits.

No changes have been made in the upperclassmen suites or in modern freshman dorms where the individual bathrooms are already behind locked doors.

Olivia Jahn, a freshman and Overnight Welcome Leader, says that the locks will be troublesome.

"My [prospective students] won't have access to the bathrooms by themselves," said Jahn. "I feel really safe in general on the Wash. U. campus. I think the locks on the bathroom might be a bit excessive and just inconvenient."

However, some students, including freshman Ben Wishnick, were puzzled over the necessity of bathroom locks.

"What are they worried about?" asked Wishnick. "People stealing the showers?"

Others students, like freshman Jordan Aibel, were indifferent to the locks.

"I don't think it's going to be that much of an inconvenience, because if you're leaving your room you'll probably have your room key anyway," said Aibel. "It won't be a big deal to swipe it again."

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### NIGHT OF FRIGHT AT BAUHAUS BASH



Students don their Halloween costumes and pack the tent in the Givens Hall Parking Lot Saturday night for Bauhaus. The event, put on annually by the Architecture School Council, always draws a huge crowd.

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## SLU Provost: School of Public Health to remain at SLU

BY SAM GUZIK  
SENIOR NEWS EDITOR

In an e-mail to the faculty of Saint Louis University last week, Provost Joe Weixlmann ended speculation over the potential of a merger between Washington University and the SLU School of Public Health.

"Because we view the area of public health as crucial to the future of our community

and the world, our discussions and examination have led us to conclude that future collaboration with our sister institutions remains important, but that it is in everyone's best interest to have a vital School of Public Health as a part of St. Louis University," Weixlmann wrote.

Weixlmann added that by keeping the school on SLU's campus it will benefit the

SLU schools of medicine and law, which frequently work together with the School of Public Health.

Earlier this month, the two schools issued a joint statement saying that the two schools were in the preliminary stage of discussions that would allow for further collaboration in an attempt to improve the quality of public health education and research.

The School of Public Health holds more than \$43 million in research grants, including several collaborative projects between the School of Public Health and the University.

The School of Public Health was established in 1991 and is one of only 38 public health schools in the country.



Mitch David from Al Corporate Hardware installs a lock on a bathroom door in Beaumont Hall. Such locks are a part of Residential Life's initiative to improve safety in the dormitories.

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### Headed for the postseason



The Bears moved into first place in the UAAs over the weekend, leaving them primed and excited for the postseason after their recent victories. **Sports, Page 8**

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# Law student co-authors First Amendment report

BY JOSH HANTZ  
NEWS EDITOR

According to third-year Washington University law student Sophie Alcorn, the government has infringed upon citizens' constitutional rights in the war on terrorism.

Alcorn co-authored an American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) document, published last month, entitled "Reclaiming our Rights: Declaration of First Amendment Rights and Grievances."

The paper was a part of a larger symposium entitled "Left Out in the Cold: The Chilling of Speech, Association, and the Press in Post-9/11 America."

"It was shocking to write about because I was constantly surprised by how many things had come up in the past couple years," said Alcorn, a 2005 Stanford graduate. "I had no idea that so many specific instances of individuals being silenced had happened."

ACLU policy documents are scholarly reports written by staff members that explain the current state of a particular issue that the ACLU is working on. Alcorn and her boss, Jim Tucker of the ACLU, published this report in conjunction with the symposium.

Alcorn's report begins with a list of grievances and continues with an analysis of each point.

"We wanted to use this as a model to proclaim all the ways in which the government is usurping and overriding the rights afforded to us by the First Amendment," said Alcorn. "I researched all the supporting information for each of these assertions and their sub-points. There's a lot of documentation."

Alcorn said the theory behind the report is that free political speech granted by the First Amendment is vital since it allows for self-governance.

"At the point where the government prevents the public

from getting adequate information, people no longer have control over the government," she said.

Alcorn cited wire-tapping, opening mail and gathering phone records from private companies as examples of the government's invasion of privacy and violating the right to free speech.

"The more we violate our own principles, the more we legitimize the actions and beliefs of terrorist groups," she said. "The more we step away from those principles, the more we become the thing that others think we are. We reinforce their animosity toward us."

Alcorn started at Stanford right after the 9/11 attacks and felt that the attacks framed her life through college.

She became interested in national human rights and then grew more into civil rights and liberties while working toward her degree in international rela-

tions.

She interned with the ACLU in Missouri where she fought the "local battles"—religious issues, abortion, protests and similar cases. That inspired her to work at the ACLU last summer in Washington, D.C. on the national level.

At Washington University before starting the report, Alcorn took a class with First Amendment professor Neil Richards, whom she said guided her research. Richards even wrote a blog article about it.

"I'm proud to be able to note that one of my First Amendment students, Wash. U. [law student] Sophie Alcorn, was one of the two principal authors of the report," wrote Richards in the blog. "These are serious and wide-ranging allegations, and I have not studied all of them in detail...This is a very important document that is worth reading even if one disagrees with its allegations or conclusions."

In addition to working on the First Amendment report, Alcorn also focused on reporters' shield legislation.

"It would create a stature that would protect reporters from having to reveal names of confidential sources with exceptions for national security," she said. "Right now there's no protection for reporters. The legislation on the table would at least give a minimal amount. Many states do have these laws but they are undermined at the federal level."

A version of the Free Flow of Information Act of 2007 did recently pass, but not with all the protections that the ACLU would have liked.

To view the full policy document, visit [http://www.aclu.org/symposium/reclaiming\\_our\\_rights.pdf](http://www.aclu.org/symposium/reclaiming_our_rights.pdf).

To see Richards' blog, visit [http://www.concurringopinions.com/archives/2007/09/the\\_aclus\\_decla.html](http://www.concurringopinions.com/archives/2007/09/the_aclus_decla.html).

## POLICE BEAT

Tuesday, October 16

1:00 p.m. AUTO ACCIDENT—LOT #35—Two vehicles, no injuries. Disposition: Cleared

4:29 p.m. AUTO ACCIDENT—LOT #9—Two vehicles, no injuries. Disposition: Cleared

Friday, October 19

12:42 p.m. LARCENY—GOLDFARB HALL OF SOCIAL WORK—Victim reported person(s) unknown entered her office and removed money from her purse. The victim reported seeing a subject, who appeared to be lost enter her suite and then exit almost immediately. Time of occurrence between 12:00

p.m. and 12:30 p.m. Value \$299. Disposition: Pending

1:10 p.m. LARCENY—EARTH & PLANETARY SCIENCE—Wallet stolen from complainants purse. Time of occurrence between 9:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Value \$19. Disposition: Pending

Saturday, October 20

9:43 a.m. AUTO ACCIDENT—HOYT DR—A facilities vehicle struck bollard. Damage to the right side of the facilities truck # 79. No injuries or damage to other property. Disposition: Cleared.

Monday, October 22

10:02 a.m. LARCENY—THROOP DR—Person(s) un-

known stole 1350 feet of welding lead, which is a copper cable used to supply electrical power to the construction site. Unknown how subject(s) made entry as perimeter fence and gates were intact and locked. Time of occurrence between October 20, at 3:30 p.m. and October 22 at 6:30 a.m. Value: \$4050. Disposition: Pending

Wednesday, October 24

8:51 a.m. INFORMATION ONLY REPORTS—POLICE DEPARTMENT—Officer is receiving harassing/threatening phone calls from a parolee stemming from a 2005 case. Disposition: Under investigation

10:59 a.m. JA REFERRAL—

OFF-CAMPUS—Student reported harassment by another student. Officer spoke to students and all found in order. Disposition: Cleared

2:54 p.m. LOST ARTICLE—MCMILLAN—Complainant reported a lost item. Time of occurrence between 10:30 and 10:45 a.m. Disposition: Pending

6:25 p.m. AUTO ACCIDENT—PARKING LOT #3—Vehicle struck while parked. Time of occurrence between 4:10 and 6:00 p.m. Disposition: Pending

10:27 p.m. LARCENY—GIVENS HALL—Complainant reported his Black Maverick 18 speed mountain bike was stolen from the bike rack in

front of Givens Hall. Time of occurrence between October 18 and October 22. Disposition: Pending

Thursday, October 25

1:19 p.m. AUTO ACCIDENT—PARKING LOT #25—Two vehicles, no injuries. Disposition: Cleared.

Friday, October 26

12:22 p.m. LOST OR STOLEN ARTICLE—WILSON HALL—Complainant reported a missing laptop. Computer was located. Disposition: Unfounded.

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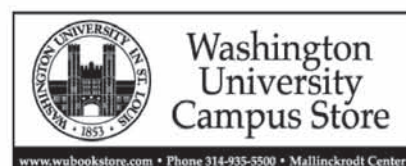
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# Doctors link mental health to heart disease

BY JOHN SCOTT  
CONTRIBUTING REPORTER

What is responsible for the shortened lifespan of the mentally ill? Many assume that suicide accounts for the deaths, but a researcher at Washington University School of Medicine disagrees.

John Newcomer, professor of psychiatry, recently published an article in the Journal of the American Medical Association showing that patients with severe mental illness are at a much higher risk of suffering from cardiovascular disease.

His observations were drawn from various sources including mortality data provided by states, including Missouri.

The study contradicts a number of common perceptions about mental illness. According to Newcomer, many psychiatrists and psychologists have assumed that suicide could be blamed for the premature deaths.

Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death for the general population, but Newcomer says that it happens much sooner in those with a mental illness.

On average, people who suffer from mental disorders such as schizophrenia live 25 to 30 years shorter than the rest of the population.

"When you look at those key risk factors [like obesity and smoking] in populations with major mental illness, you find an elevated prevalence of all these risk factors," said Newcomer.

He said that when this kind of trend appears, it raises questions about what kind of care this group of patients receives.

"Why is it that the person with schizophrenia who presents to the emergency room with a [heart attack] has such a low probability of going to the surgical suite?" said Newcomer. "Why is that over a year after the [heart attack] they have such a low probability of getting the drugs of proven benefit? There are well documented failures in both primary and secondary prevention among the mentally ill."

Newcomer believes that different branches of medicine need to work together in order to fix the shortcomings.

"This really involves partnerships with general medicine, primary care providers and cardiovascular specialty providers," he said.

Newcomer says that lowering risk factors is a very effective way to prevent cardiovascular disease.

His article states that 50 to 80 percent of these individuals smoke, consuming 34 to 44 percent of all cigarettes in the country. He believes that efforts such as smoking prevention would have a positive effect.

According to Newcomer, some of the drugs used to treat mental illness may promote weight gain, which could be contributing to the increased risk.

Newcomer believes that doctors need to consider this risk when deciding what to prescribe.

"We're not seeing great evidence that [doctors] are altering their prescribing decisions as a function of the patient's risk status," he said.

Dr. Robert Carney, professor of psychiatry, has also studied the relationship between mental illness and cardiovascular disease and focuses on depression. He says that the problem is that patients are not identified as having depression.

"Often times it's not even known that someone has depression," said Carney. "It's not always asked appropriately, so we need to identify patients as early as possible. Once that happens there are treatments that might be helpful."

Carney said that more research needs to be done to find out if treating depression will improve the outcome of patients with cardiovascular disease. He is hopeful, though, that there will be some benefit, either by reducing the chance of cardiovascular disease or by simply improving the quality of life in general for these patients.

"[Depression] is relatively new in terms of its recognition," noted Carney. "It wasn't until the mid 1990s that people doing work in this area began to recognize that it was a risk factor. It's been within the last three or four years that major groups like the American Heart Association have come to recognize that risk factor."

Newcomer says more work needs to be done to improve health care.

"Our commentary is hardly new, but it's part of a broader story of disparities in health care," Newcomer said. "It's going to take a very concerted effort targeting a number of different problems to try to make these numbers better."

## SAE EVENT ❖ FROM PAGE 1

smoothly. The school approved it and everything," said junior Jon Bremer, president of SAE. "[DSP] did all the paper work, but our names were on the flyers."

While SAE was officially the event's co-sponsor, DSP is accountable for any negative consequences associated with the event.

"With regard to co-sponsorship, it's really difficult for us to fully regulate all of that because these students are going to find ways to work around the system," said Ryan-Jasen Henne, director of the Greek Life office. "[SAE] is still not recognized by the University. If something were to happen, then Delta Sigma Pi would be the organization that would be held responsi-

ble by the University, and I'm not sure if that's something they understood."

After the final decision to revoke SAE's recognition by the Inter-Fraternity Council this summer, the national office continued to recognize the Washington University chapter. SAE lost recognition by the University in July for failing to meet requirements of a development plan laid out in January 2006.

Under the conditions set when the decisions were made, SAE will continue to be unrecognized until 2011, at the earliest.

Over 20 teams—including a number of fraternities and sororities—turned out for the tournament, which was held on the basketball courts

on the South 40.

In the tournament's finals, SAE lost to the sorority Alpha Epsilon Phi in overtime.

Proceeds of the event went towards the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP), a New York based charity that works to reduce the number of deaths from suicides in the country.

In addition to cooperating with AFSP, the event expanded this year to include cooperation with Student Health Services. Representatives from health services attended the event and distributed literature about mental health services offered by the University.

The tournament also received support from a number of local businesses in-

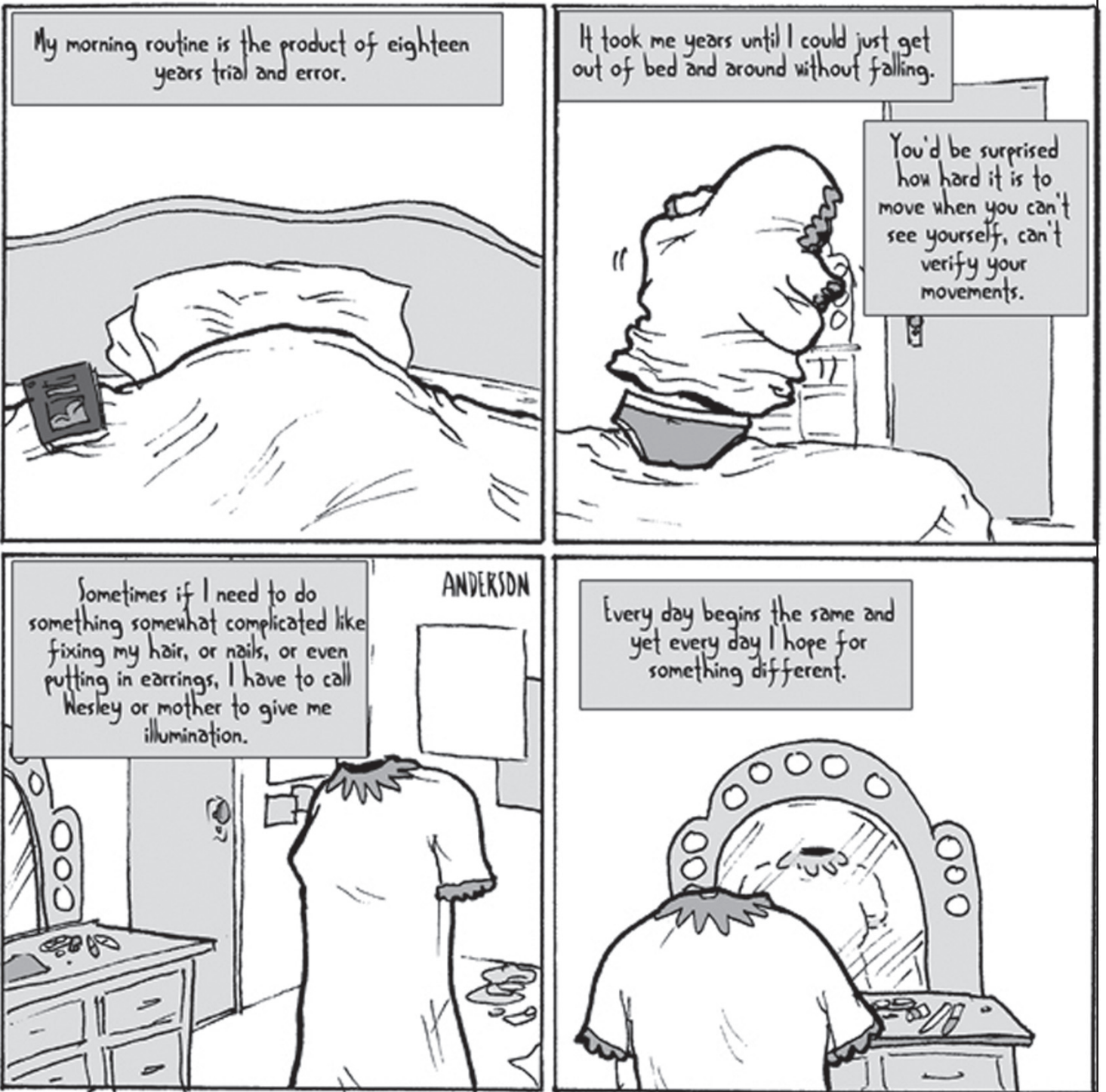
cluding Einstein Bagels, Jimmy Hohns and Casadilla; in addition, event T-shirts were donated, allowing more money to go directly to AFSP.

The original idea for the tournament came last year when an SAE brother's mother committed suicide.

AFSP is the only non-profit organization in the nation that specifically and exclusively works on suicide prevention.

"We had a good turnout, a lot of freshman floors came out and had a great time. It raised a little awareness, too," said junior Matt Odenwald, SAE philanthropy chair. "We were able to do everything just as well as we did last year."

## FREAKSHOW | BY JASON ANDERSON



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On the other hand, Lee resident Becky Chanis had concerns about locking herself out of her room. Chanis noted that it would be all too possible for her to accidentally lock herself out of her room while in nothing but a towel.

Moreover, some Orthodox Jews refrain from using electricity on certain days. That problem has been resolved though, as on those days, they

will be able to use a mechanical key.

When asked why the locks are not already functional, Lempfert explained that there were problems with installing the locks on the heavy doors which were not made to accommodate locks of this sort.

"We're going to make sure everything's working properly before we turn them on," assured Lempfert.

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## Jumbling Towers

BY ELIZABETH OCHOA  
MUSIC EDITOR

Jumbling Towers' first, and thus far only, release is exactly what local music needs. Jumbling Towers have no need for the same old pop-punk that the majority of Midwestern bands offer; they channel something much bigger. They sound a lot like the early Talking Heads, but with more frantic energy. Joe DeBoer, the lead vocalist, sings with captivating intensity, his voice finding a middle ground somewhere between David Byrne and Fred Schneider of the B-52's. Still full of the same drive that got them into the scene in the first place, their live shows are perfect for recalling exactly what live music can and should be.

Their self-titled album is short and sweet. Each song is distinct and yet the album has an overarching sense of continuity. Songs such as "Cowards" display the quintessential Jumbling Towers style. The distinct sound comes not just from DeBoer's voice and singing style, but also from their use of both keyboards and electric piano.

The lyrics are also fantastic, used not only to tell a story, but also as yet another instrument in the band. Check out a clip of the band online at StudLife.com.

Jumbling Towers' CD is newly remixed and remastered and is available online at [myspace.com/jumblingtowers](http://myspace.com/jumblingtowers) or at live shows. They play Tuesday at SLU's Billiken Club; doors open at 8:00, and the show starts at 9:00. It's free for all ages and open to the public. Plus, unlike the Creepy Crawl, Billiken Club has a bar.



COURTESY OF JUMBLING TOWERS

## An interview with Nate Drexler

After calling Nate Drexler, the bassist for Jumbling Towers, at three, our scheduled time, and having to leave a message, I was a bit flustered. Nate called back moments later, "Sorry, I always screen my calls." The Jumbling Towers may not be a dorm room name yet, but they deserve to be and Nate already has one part of the act down cold.

**Cadanza:** How long have you guys been together as a band?  
**Nate Drexler:** We actually met in 7th grade; we all went to high school together. We played sports together. Then our senior year, 2003, we stopped playing sports and we started listening to music and making bad pop songs. We played at the Creepy Crawl

and made all our high school friends go down. It wasn't very serious. I mean, it was, but looking back on it, it wasn't. We went off to college, then summer 2005 we made a decision to move to Columbia. We didn't become Jumbling Towers until that summer.

**C:** How do you guys write songs? What's your process?  
**ND:** One guy usually brings something to the table, either Joe [DeBoer, vocals/guitar/keyboard] or Kyle [McConaghy, guitar, keyboards], they have a chord progression or a melody. But we all just play our part. It takes a month or six to make a song, but no one really tells anyone else how to play or, 'oh you should be doing it this way.' The songs

are just what we made when we started playing.

**C:** How would you compare yourselves to other bands? Who are your influences?

**ND:** The Pixies are a huge one; we all love them, if not the top, definitely in the top ten. Also the Talking Heads, which is obvious. We also love the production element of Brian Eno and Bowie. I do need to say, our drummer, Scott, he doesn't feel the same way, he couldn't sing a Talking Heads song. He likes the Pixies but he grew up on Deftones and Godsmack. But he likes what we do.

**C:** What are some other bands you've been billed with that have been a treat for you

guys?

**ND:** Ladybug Transistors [a notable side project of the Elephant 6], Gentleman Auction House, So Many Dynamos. We love playing with Say Panther. It's pure pop. The kids are 17 or 18, and to think what our music sounded like then. These kids, for whatever their age, keep getting better every time we play with them. If you want to see pure indie pop-rock check these guys out.

**C:** OK the big question: Creepy Crawl or the Bluebird?

**ND:** Oh definitely the Bluebird. It has a bar, a friendlier staff, a better PA. For as crappy a venue as the Creepy Crawl is, you'd think the staff would be nice to try to lure fans. But they aren't.

n. a technically brilliant, sometimes improvised solo passage toward the close of a concerto, an exceptionally brilliant part of an artistic work

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### ALBUM REVIEW

## The Thrills: 'Teenager'

BY BRADFORD YATES  
CADENZA REPORTER

Maybe I'm crazy, but I find the state of music today to be more ridiculous, exciting and scary than it has been at any point in pop history since the late '60s. Those were undeniably heady times, when the boiling point of social clashes between Vietnam supporters and protesters provided the key contemporary context for musical geniuses such as The Beatles, Jimi Hendrix, Brian Wilson (and the list goes on from there). They worked to strike the nerve of the moment, to excite people and to open the mainstream floodgates to new and strange breeds of artists that could have never dreamed of selling even 500 records five years previous.

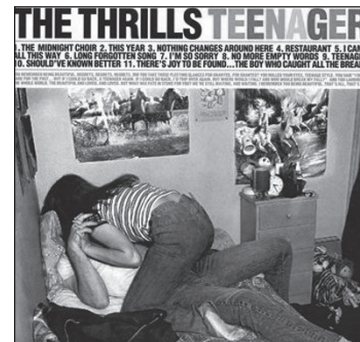
I imagine today's world of pop as some type of mutant monster grown out of the context of the late '60s and all that followed ('classic' rock, reggae, funk, disco, punk rock, hip hop, hair metal, heavy metal, techno, grunge, mainstream 'alternative', nu-metal, the ambiguous 'world music' genre and finally the 'indie' revolution spearheaded by the now-classics "Is This It", "White Blood Cells" and "Yankee Hotel Foxtrot"). Interwoven factors such as 9/11, continuing U.S. misbehavior, internet proliferation, fear for the future (climate change, the rainforest, water shortages, famine, oppression, etc.) and the unstoppable technical advancement of music making tools, have officially shifted what the mainstream wants and what it can access.

So where does The Thrills' third album, "Teenager," fit into all of this? Faced with declining sales and the ominous march of cultural acceleration, The Thrills seem to throw the idea of competition out the window. Perhaps they've matured, but the truth is that they can't keep up with the Arctic Monkeys, let alone the Klaxons, even if they tried their

darndest. So they look back, to happier and sadder times full of 'backseat fumbblings' and 'midnight choirs.' And the stunning revelation? It is as clear as day in the lyrics of the title track: 'If I could go back, I'd trip over again.' There is something reassuringly contented about the album as a whole. It is interested in direct emotional appeal through heartfelt melodies, rolling rhythms and well-lit pop production. It turns its back on cynicism, fear and drum machines. Those things have no use on this piece of wax.

Today, anyone with a laptop, an Internet connection and some simple editing software can find the music they love, remix it and show the world what it sounds like to them. Making music has always been a personal and emotional endeavor, but technology has in many ways de-localized it. It is everywhere, and it is nowhere at the same time. Just look at the Postal Service, barely any 'instruments,' and what 'band' do they constitute actually? The music was made remotely, by remote. But the emotional core shimmers, and that is what made "Give Up" a bigger success than Sub Pop could have ever imagined.

The lesson here: technology and its exponential expansion into the everyday has its benefits, not the least of which being the speed at which a band/artist can go from writing to recording to distribution to fame. However, it is even more evident that the people are looking for signs of life, signs that the human heart still exists. And with "Teenager," The Thrills have constructed an album with an undeniably human touch. It is in every joyous rhythm, every croon. It is a direct hit, a warm and fuzzy blanket in a sometimes bleak and furious world. 'I'm So Sorry' is a cheesy misstep, the likes of which I haven't seen since, well, probably some crap from the '60s.



The Thrills  
Teenager

Rating: ★★★★★  
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# Wheelchair access on campus still needs work

In September of 2003, there was a News article in *Student Life* called "Handicapped accessibility remains problem." It outlined some of the difficulties on Washington University's campus: getting into Subway below Umrah, inaccessible old dorms and the raised stones between the walkways on main campus.

These issues still exist, as well as others. Though the school is making an effort to improve disability access on campus, it still has quite a way to go.

A junior who uses a wheelchair (who will remain anonymous in order to protect her privacy) cites some of the other accessibility issues she experiences every day. They include what she calls, with good humor, the "hill of death" leading from Brown to main campus, where a natural hill creates a slope steeper than a normal stair-substituting ramp. Without a fair amount of momentum, it is difficult to get up this hill. She also cites the "hill of perse-

verance," leading from Forsyth under the Psychology building to the main level of campus. A natural slope here also creates a slope much steeper than that of a normal Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)-approved ramp.

Granted, the "hill of death" and the "hill of perseverance" are largely influenced by the campus' topography, which the University can only change so much. But there are other issues that might be more easily addressed.

The path in Brookings Quad, made out of loosely connected bricks rather than with the more flat pathway design seen on the rest of the campus, is a major difficulty for a person in a wheelchair. Such an important meeting area should be friendlier towards those with wheelchair-requiring disabilities.

The lifts at the University are another problem we'd like to mention. In the Career Center there was a lift that the student we talked to was able to use. But, she said, it was very incon-

venient and even embarrassing to use. She had to call the Career Center for help, which then sent somebody over with a key to start the lift. When the lift was finally operated, lights blinked and a loud siren went off as a part of the mechanism. The school can surely make it so these machines do not make a scene when someone wants to use them.

Another major problem is that, at 5:00 p.m., most of the doors accessing the academic buildings on main campus are locked, except for the main doors. Because the wheelchair-accessible entrance for most buildings on campus is different than the main door, this often means that after 5:00, a person in a wheelchair cannot get into certain buildings. The student we talked to could not physically get to a study session one night because of this problem. The University should be able to easily rectify this issue, once it is brought to their attention. It is only a matter of thinking about disability access

not only in space but in time.

All this said, the school does make an effort to accommodate students with disabilities. They recently began construction in McMillan to update a lift there, to add push handles and to lighten the doors, so that it would be more accessible to disabled students who need to access certain parts of the building. The student we talked to also said that the University is much better than many other places as far as wheelchair accessibility.

But the fact remains that there continue to be daily struggles for those with disabilities at the University. It is clear that the school is willing to make the effort when it is clear what to do, but the school needs to continue thinking about the needs of these students and to continue looking around for ways they can improve accessibility.

We believe that the improvements we have mentioned would be an excellent step in the right direction.

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## Endowment strikes gold

BY JONO SANDERS  
OP-ED SUBMISSION

So we have a \$5.6 billion endowment. But what does that mean? I mean, how much money are we talking about?

Well, Scrooge McDuck, the third richest character in Forbes Fictional 15 last year, is only worth \$10.9 billion. His gold safe is flourishing with rising gold prices and real estate values on the rise in Duckburg. We could fill a 25-by-25 foot vault 10 feet deep with gold coins for our investment officer to swim in, while Scrooge's could add an extra seven feet with all his money. Looking at how well this McDuck is doing, one might ask, "What are we doing with our money?" since we're obviously not swim-

**"How could anyone resist applying to a school that lets you touch its gold facade while visiting campus?"**

ming in it.

What to do? According to Student Life's article ("University endowment skyrockets to \$5.6 billion," 10/12/07), we've probably invested \$50,000 per student on education. That's only five percent of our money's growth alone.

While the school has taken some moves to improve perceptions of the school by greening campus with our LEED Gold student center, I think more drastic steps should be taken.

I've discovered the ultimate answer: to display our value and brilliance, we should coat Brookings in gold. It would be a solid investment, since gold is at a 28-year high right now—buying while it's strong would demonstrate our respect for the worth of gold and the importance of further beautifying campus despite cost. Our endowment affords us a one-quarter inch covering for the entire building. What better

way to state our place in the world of high-class institutions than to cover our admissions and administrative building, the symbol of our school, with gold? We could keep it clean and shiny so that it would sparkle on the horizon to those looking out from the Arch and maybe even to those who fly over us in airplanes.

This money needs to go to good use, not to sit in companies like Boeing, Caterpillar or whoever we invest in (information not readily available). I advocate giving this money back to campus in the form of a hefty investment in high value metal. Sure, we could invest in the students, maybe offer some more scholarships, buy new books for the library, subsidize housing and dining, provide more grants for independent research and study or use money in a number of less visible manners.

But since revenue from auxiliary enterprises has risen eight percent last year according to the university financial report, why not just raise costs more, to allow us to invest in larger sums of gold? How could anyone resist applying to a school that lets you touch its gold facade while visiting campus? What alum wouldn't want to donate money to get his or her name etched into the gold glazing the outside of Brookings? Such a sound financial idea should be seriously considered.

Then again, if we want to use money wisely, we could fill 90 swimming pools with \$100 bills, or use one-tenth of our endowment to cover our campus in trampolines or fill Brookings with junior bacon cheeseburgers 135 times over, allowing students to view, interact, experience and maybe learn something from the wealth that this institution's financial history and investments have yielded.

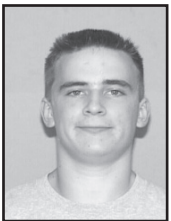
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## Barack Obama: One man's opinion

For those of you who went to see Barack Obama speak at Union Station this past Friday, I think you would agree that he is not only a powerful stage presence, but also a breath of fresh air in terms of our currently stagnant politics. For those of you who did not go, you really should have, because Obama, more than any major political candidate I have ever seen in my life, really speaks to young people such as us. It was refreshing to see a candidate be able to deliver a speech with such power, conviction, intelligence and humor, while talking about real issues, a quality we



Christian Sherden

have not seen in some time.

His new campaign slogan "Change we can believe in" perfectly describes what we all feel, to some degree, about what needs to happen with our country. (I should note however that the slogan could read "Change in which we can believe" in order to conform to proper English grammar, but you can't win them all.)

I think it would be hard to argue that what America needs right now is four to eight more years of the same: the dollar is doing horribly, most of the world hates us when they used to love us, we are engaged in a military quagmire that has become a never-ending, bloody stalemate, we are ruining the Earth with our consumption-based lifestyles which consequently lead other parts of the world, like China, to do the same by following our example (this last point is certainly argu-

able, I guess).

For me, though, the one thing that Barack Obama said that stood out was his wish to go before the United Nations as president and say, "America is back." By this he meant that we have strayed from the original visions and morals that this country was governed with for more than two centuries, but these founding principles are not lost entirely. Barack wants to reclaim the good connotations of the word American, because as it stands now, it is more of a swear word.

Obama did address the reality that putting out the fires in the White House is not enough. Barack is a tried and true progressive: he supports stem cell research, he loves equal opportunity education on the secondary and university level and he has plans for reduced emissions and energy independence.

I agree that these sound like empty promises that any politician could make, but Obama has a history to back it all up. In the senate, he has been known to vote somewhat independently of party line (as a liberal, he will tend to vote for democratic policies) and he has a firm policy against lobbyists. The result of these traits is that Obama does not let anyone make up his mind for him. Lobbyists have enough money to sway politics in their own favor via kickbacks, bribes and campaign finance but only if a candidate is greedy for their money, which unfortunately most politicians are. Standing strong against lobbyists, Barack Obama can make his own choices and actually make changes the way he says he will.

I only have two problems about Obama's candidacy: 1) his ability to win the general election and 2) his longevity.

A large part of a candidate's success in the polls comes from the stalwart voting blocks of senior citizens. This is also a large part of why nothing ever changes in politics; the same people vote in every presidential election and they always want the same things. Obama's appeal to young people is adventurous and commendable, but it may be wasted effort because young people are notoriously lazy on voting day. There are enough of us to make a difference and possibly enough to get Obama on the ticket, but probably not enough of us care enough to leave our comfortable houses once every four years to make a difference in our country.

As to his longevity, I worry. This next point may sound like conspiracy theory, but I keep thinking that Barack Obama sounds like JFK and Martin Luther King, Jr. This is not a

bad quality, but these are two people who stood up to the status quo in the name of the people and were killed for doing so. A politician can only flout so many precedents before he starts to make enemies; in some cases, this can lead to politicians who put their own lives in danger. For Obama, who has received threats and was recently assigned a Secret Service detail for protection, this is certainly an issue. As a voter, I need to be assured that my candidate will be around for another four or even eight years, or else nothing that he says will matter.

And as a side note, this is my last Monday column; you can catch me on Wednesdays from now on.

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## MEN'S SOCCER

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**Bears win in dramatic fashion on Senior Day**

❖ Freshman provides heroics in final regular season home game

BY ANDREI BERMAN  
SPORTS EDITOR

Six seniors were honored prior to the start of yesterday's men's soccer game against 17th-ranked Case Western Reserve University, the team's final home contest of the regular season. But 105 grueling minutes later, a freshman was on the receiving end of all the congratulatory lauding.

Harry Beddo, a lanky rookie from the Northern Virginia suburbs of Washington D.C., headed home a free kick from senior Elie Zenner midway through the second overtime period to give the Bears a crucial league victory and keep the squad's narrow chances at a league championship alive with one game to go in the regular season.

Sunday's win marked the

second time in one weekend that the Red and Green went to double overtime with a league opponent. On Friday, 22nd-ranked Wash. U. (now 13-4-1 overall and 4-1-1 in University Athletic Association play) struck first, before eventually tying 5th-ranked Rochester, 1-1 in two OTs. The Yellowjackets had not lost or tied a match in UAA action prior to that contest.

On Sunday, the hosts dominated play from the start, out-shooting their Cleveland guests and generally controlling the action throughout the match. But a number of near-opportunities never fully materialized, and it appeared the team was on its way to salvaging its second tie in as many games.

"It was really frustrating [getting so many chances and not finding the net]. We were pissed off. You know

you're going to get chances, but all you can do when you get to those overtime situations is just hope someone takes that chance. We were dangerous all game. [Not scoring] would have been really, really frustrating," said Zenner, a captain.

Fortunately for Wash. U., Zenner's beautifully-placed free kick from thirty yards out found the 6'3" Beddo by the back post, and the freshman was able to use his tall frame to out-leap the Spartan defense and end a dramatic weekend of UAA soccer in the process.

"Elie played it in, and it kind of curled, and I just jumped over the defender's head, and right when it hit my head, I knew it was going in," said Beddo. "Right when it went in, the bench erupted."

Beddo's goal, which was

his team-leading ninth of the season, served as a redemptive end to a stretch of the 2007 season which has featured the Bears' best soccer, but also its most disappointing loss.

After a pair of victories two weeks ago on the road against UAA opponents, NYU and Brandeis, respectively, Wash. U. appeared to be hitting its stride at the right time.

The team followed up the league success with a non-conference win against Birmingham Southern last Friday. But last Sunday, despite vastly outplaying St. Norbert College, Wash. U. came away with an agonizing 1-0 defeat that, for some teams, could have snowballed into a disappointing stretch run.

This weekend's tie and victory over two nationally ranked opponents coupled

with a Tuesday night victory over non-UAA foe Maryville College left the team with little doubt about its ability heading into next weekend's Chicago game and, almost assuredly, postseason play.

Noting that the resolve displayed by the senior-laden squad after the loss against St. Norbert is what separates this Wash. U. team from that of years past, Zenner is confident that the Bears are playing their best soccer at just the right time.

"In terms of where we're at as a team, I don't think we took a step back [with the loss against St. Norbert]. We found ourselves in New York and Boston and have been getting better since then. We were tough in the Rochester game and that's the identity we have as a team," he said.

"We need to carry that into the playoffs."

**WOMEN'S SOCCER** ❖  
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Starting forward Therese Fox aggravated a groin injury and missed Sunday's game. According to Dillinger, she will be out for at least a week.

**Wash. U. 4, Case 0**

Prior to Sunday's game, Wash. U. honored its six seniors.

"We wanted to go out and play for them," said Rosoff.

This mentality seemed to work, as the Bears had the game they had been looking for all season. They came out and played a very dominant first half, something the team has lacked.

"We were able to possess the ball, move quickly and keep possession," said Dillinger. "This is a great time to be doing these things."

Sophomore Elyse Hanly took a shot in the eighth minute which Spartan goalie Kirsten McClain deflected. Senior Marin McCarthy bobbled the ball and Malone finished the play. The goal was Malone's fifth game-winner of the season.

Senior keeper Carrie Sear preserved the lead with a great save during a 1-on-1 situation in the 10th minute.

Hanly scored her second goal of the season in the 15th minute on an assist from Rosoff. The score nearly became 3-0 only minutes later when McClain impressively saved a misdirected head ball from a teammate.

Junior Carly Anderson finished the first half scoring onslaught when she nailed a penalty kick in the 35th minute.

Wash. U.'s intensity did not falter in the second half. Less than a minute into play, McCarthy crossed the ball to Rosoff, who went on to score her eighth goal of the season. Case attempted to immediately rebound, but junior keeper Amanda Boe stopped Kaitlyn Yule's shot and preserved the shutout.

"We finally took care of business in the first half and came out strong in the second. The subs also stepped it up," said Malone.

These wins take off the pressure for the regular season finale against the University of Chicago in Hyde Park.

Now assured of a postseason, the Bears can relax and take care of business as usual Saturday.

**FOOTBALL** ❖  
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exactly was coming," added sophomore linebacker Andrew Berryman.

Despite controlling the game, Carnegie Mellon needed only one scoring drive greater than 50 yards due to Wash. U. miscues. After a Matt Adams coffin-corner punt put the ball on the Wash. U. two-yard line, Bear quarterback Buck Smith was sacked in the end zone for a safety to make the score 2-0.

The Bears took a 7-2 lead with 13:47 left in the first half on a Jim O'Brien touchdown run and brought the lead into the locker room. However, a quick three-and-out that ended with a blocked punt, gave the Tartans the ball 21 yards from the goal line, and eight straight rushes produced a touchdown and an 8-7 lead. An extended drive from the Tartans and then a field goal resulting from a Smith interception provided enough points to hold off the Bears.

The Bears had been unstoppable during the four-game winning streak, but Berryman did not think that the bye week negatively impacted the team.

"If anything, it allowed us to recover a little and be better prepared to play that type of offense. We just need to start executing when the opportunities arise."

Washington University's final UAA game of the season against Case Western Reserve University will be a battle for a share of the UAA title. Since Case has beaten Carnegie Mellon, a win against Wash. U. would give it sole possession of the UAA crown. However, if Wash. U. prevails, Wash. U., Carnegie Mellon and Case Western will share the UAA title, bringing the Bears their first UAA title since 2004.

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6	7	1	9	5	2	8	3	4
8	5	9	4	3	7	1	2	6
3	1	4	8	6	9	2	5	7
9	2	6	5	7	3	4	8	1
5	8	7	2	4	1	6	9	3
7	4	8	6	9	5	3	1	2
2	9	5	3	1	4	7	6	8
1	6	3	7	2	8	5	4	9

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### Crossword

ACROSS

- Not so
- Tree juices
- Pour out
- Throws off
- Chase away
- Ms. Bombeck
- Invigorating medicine
- Gull's cousin
- 12 o'clock
- Off target
- Restroom sign
- Add to the pot
- Game counter
- Sofas
- Attempted to soundproof
- The way in China
- Gilbert and Sullivan offerings
- Boasts
- Actress Polo
- Enticements
- Iraq neighbor
- Utopias
- Fire desire
- Corn holder
- Like lasting friends
- Weapons' depot
- Passing fancy
- Sunken grooves
- Droop
- Sweeteners
- Time periods
- Unsolicited e-mail
- Chalke of "Scrubs"
- Appellation
- Morays and congers
- Elroy Jetson's dog
- Austrian range
- Smeltery waste
- Piece of bed linen
- Attention getter
- Skin openings
- Fourteen-line poem
- Of Capitol Hill
- Recumbent
- Get all melodramatic
- Tapers off
- Streisand title role
- Flashy outfit
- Keyboard key
- Pamper
- Learned monkey-style
- Slight
- Monarch's daughters
- Tom's "Splash" co-star
- Letter flourish
- River of Pisa
- Fail at a diet
- Glitch
- Divans
- Family member
- Jellyfish
- Deep voices
- Action site
- Bucolic
- Postal sticker
- Collar part
- Festive gathering
- Long, deep cut
- Comic Johnson
- Once in a blue moon
- Injection
- NYC arena

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# SPORTS

## WOMEN'S SOCCER

WU 3 ♦ U. ROCHESTER 1    WU 4 ♦ CASE WESTERN 0

# Women's soccer wins UAA

❖ Secures post-season bid

BY TRISHA WOLF  
SENIOR SPORTS EDITOR

Caryn Rosoff and Caitlin Malone got it done for the Bears.

The sophomore forward and junior midfielder had a total of four goals and three assists this weekend as Washington University's women's soccer team (14-2, 5-1 UAA) defeated the University of Rochester 3-1 (10-5-2, 3-2-1 UAA) Friday and Case Western Reserve University 4-0 (6-11, 0-6 UAA) Sunday.

The win over Rochester moved Wash. U. into first place in the UAA. The outcomes of Sunday's contests assured the Bears of the title. The University of Chicago handed Rochester their second conference loss while Emory University ended the day with their second conference tie and Brandeis University to Carnegie Mellon University.

Not only did they play this weekend speak volumes, but the team also made another

statement on the field as they wore pink ribbons in support of breast cancer awareness.

### Wash. U. 3, Rochester 1

The significance of this game was not lost on anyone, as it would play a large role in determining the league champion.

The Bears were down early after the Yellowjackets scored on a corner kick in the 17th minute. Laura Bojko hit the impressive shot, curving the ball into the net.

Two minutes later, the Bears tied up the score. Senior Abbey Hartmann scored her first goal of the season after Rosoff crossed her the ball. The score remained tied at halftime.

The Red and Green went on to completely dominate the second half. Malone had a great opportunity to get the team ahead in the 55th minute, but the shot flew over the goal. She rebounded by assisting Rosoff for the game-winner two minutes later and then adding an in-



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Sophomore Elyse Hanly battles for the ball Sunday afternoon en route to a 4-0 win over Case Western Reserve University on Francis Field. With the win, the Bears clinched their second-straight UAA title and an automatic berth to the NCAA Tournament.

insurance goal in the 65th minute when she buried a shot from 15 yards out.

"We all realized that we came out weak," said Rosoff. "We wanted it in the second half."

"They don't play as hard

in the first half and expect things to come easier than they do," added head coach Wendy Dillinger.

Even with the win, the Bears suffered a loss Friday.

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## FOOTBALL

CARNEGIE MELLON 18 ♦ WU 13

# Bears lose game and postseason hopes against Carnegie Mellon

BY JOSHUA GOLDMAN  
SPORTS REPORTER

Another sloppy game ended all hopes of a postseason berth for Washington University football. The Bears suffered an 18-13 loss to Carnegie Mellon University Saturday, ending its four-game winning streak and dropping the team to 6-2 overall, 1-1 in UAA play.

The Tartans scored 16 unanswered points to extend the lead to 18-7 with 10:10 left in regulation. Wash. U. responded with a 76-yard touchdown drive, but the Tartans ran off the final 4:01 in the game and never gave back the ball for the potential tying score.

Carnegie Mellon outgained the Bears by the narrow margin of 291-286, but the Tartans ran the ball 69 times for

215, only passing five times. As a result, Carnegie Mellon held the football for over 20 minutes more than the Bears.

"Carnegie did a good job on first down getting five or six yards. They put some drives together, and once they were winning in the second half, they were able to open up their offense more and hit two big passes on us," said linebacker Mike Elliot, a captain. "We knew what they were going to do and had a great game plan, but we weren't able to execute."

"Carnegie ran the wing-t offense, which is a tricky offense. They can run the same play out of many different formations, which made it tough for us to know what

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Members of the defensive team celebrate after an interception and touchdown during the Oct. 13 game vs. University of Chicago. Although they lost against Carnegie Mellon this weekend, they've had a great season so far.

## CROSS COUNTRY

# Women's cross country wins UAA, eyes NCAA championships

❖ Men finish 6th at the meet

BY UNAIZ KABANI  
SPORTS EDITOR

The third-ranked Washington University's women's cross country team finished atop a field of eight schools at the University Athletic Association Championships on Saturday morning at Franklin Park in Waltham, Mass. The women scored 31 points in the victory, while the men's squad finished sixth with its score of 131 points, just 10 points out of third place.

The Lady Bears took home the UAA title for the ninth time in school history. It was their fifth win in the last six seasons; the team was upset last year, finishing second.

Senior Tricia Frisella led the Lady Bears with her second-place finish, posting a time of 22:29. Classmates Tyler Mulkin

and Kate Pentak soon followed, finishing in 22:37 and 22:38, which were good for third and fourth respectively. The trio garnered first-team All-UAA honors for their stellar performances.

Freshman Taryn Surtees collected second-team All-UAA recognition and was named the league's Rookie of the Year for her eighth-place finish and time of 23:03. Senior Lisa Sudmeier, who also received second-team honors, placed 14th overall with a time of 23:26 to round out the top five for the Bears.

"In all, we are very happy with our performance," said Mulkin. "This meet really showed our depth."

The women's coaches, head coach Jeff Stiles and assistant coaches Paul Thornton, Ryan Chapman, John Aerni and Peter Quigg, were named the

conference's Coaching Staff of the Year.

The women's total of 31 points edged second-place Case Western Reserve University's 44 points and third-place Emory University's 58 points. Case Western Reserve and Emory each had two runners earn first-team All-UAA honors.

The WU men's team was led by senior Jesse McDaniel's 14th-place finish, as he posted a time of 25:55. McDaniel was named to the All-UAA second team. Sophomore Alden Black and freshman Zach Bahor finished 27th and 28th overall, with times of 26:16 and 26:18, respectively, to round out the Bears' top three finishes. Senior Jeff Bayers and freshman Skyler Moots also scored for the Bears with times of 26:19 and 22:22, good enough for 30th and 32nd places.

New York University won the men's competition for the second consecutive year with 20 points, while Carnegie Mellon finished second with 68 points. Only 10 points separated the third and sixth-place squads. Case Western Reserve took third with 121 points, while Emory and Brandeis, the meet's host, finished fourth and fifth, respectively.

The teams next head to Oshkosh, Wis. in two weeks to compete in the NCAA Midwest Regional Championships. However, the women's team's sights are set on Northfield, Minn., the site of NCAA Championships on Nov. 17.

"We're not cutting back our training right now like other teams are doing for Regionals," said Mulkin. "Our goal is to do as best we can at NCAA Championships."

## VOLLEYBALL

WU 3 ♦ PERU STATE 0    WU 3 ♦ PRINCIPIA 0  
WU 3 ♦ ADRIAN 0    WU 3 ♦ WEBSTER 0

# Volleyball dominates Bears Classic

BY JOHANN QUA HIANSEN  
SPORTS REPORTER

A movie writer could not have written a better story for the Bears Classic as this weekend's games featured emotional, inspirational, hilarious and breathtaking moments.

Washington University sprinted past Peru State University, Principia College, Adrian College and Webster University with clean 3-0 sweeps. Many of the games were quickly decided as Wash. U. stepped up offensively and defensively to prevent scoring runs while creating their own point sprints.

len Bruegge set career highs in serving aces with four and three, respectively.

Defensively, paws were extended as several players made huge solo blocks or diving saves. Sophomore setter Vicki Blood made her first solo block of her collegiate career while Bruegge set a career high of seven block assists.

The Bears, who had won the previous two sets, began the final game against Webster with a cheer of "Take it."

"It was good to see all the seniors on the court in the last home game as Bears," said junior outside hitter Nikki Morrison.



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Senior Ellen Bruegge spikes the ball for a kill during the Oct. 27 match vs. Webster. The team's next set of matches will be at the UAA championship tournament next weekend.

The Bears Classic was emotional as seniors, who were recognized Friday night, had their last games in the Fieldhouse. It was fitting that senior captain Haleigh Spencer scored Wash. U.'s first tournament point.

Against Principia, Spencer had taken the reception from a low serve and Brazeal popped it up; Spencer called for it and thinking she wouldn't be able to reach it, made a running dive that connected and found an open hole in the Principia defense.

After the game, the Bears tossed mini volleyballs out to their newest supporters and began talking with the young players. Several Bears signed autographs on the volleyballs. "I loved them coming," said Spencer. "It was nice to have those girls here."

Everyone on the team had court time contributing points and saves. Spencer, junior setter Audra Janak with a team high of 46 assists and sophomore libero Laura Brazeal with a team high of 25 digs, were named to the All Tournament Team.

"Everybody played so well," Spencer said. "We flowed together as a team."

Offensively, the Bears were serving well and spiking with enough force to drill through defensive walls and into the floor. Both junior outside hitter Alli Alberts and senior middle hitter El-

Webster responded with the most tightly fought set of the tournament and jumped to a 5-0 lead. Following a long two-minute rally, a block by Bruegge and fellow senior Kathy Leeper put the first point on the board. Wash. U. eventually prevailed 30-25.

"We did a really good job of working through adversity," said senior defensive specialist Lindsay Schuessler.

After making a twisting, leaping one-handed save that sent the ball curving just inside the net pole, junior Ali Crouch crushed the return with a kill on the boundary line to break the deadlock at 22 points. Crouch had set a career high of 11 kills against Adrian College earlier.

There was a period of worry as Spencer fell to the ground with an injured ankle and was subbed out. With a look of determination, Spencer showed the trainers she was fine. Fans and teammates cheered as she returned, embodying the "never give up" attitude of the Red and Green. The Bears enter the UAA Conference Finals as the top seed, with a 7-0 UAA record this season with games scheduled against a pool composed of Case Western Reserve, Rochester and Carnegie Mellon.

"It's kind of sad to think it's my last game, but we still have three weeks," said Leeper. "I'm excited, I love post-season."