Senior Year: construction, championships and controversy

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This school year started with students protesting the Student Technology Fee rate hike. As the year progressed, tension continued to rise. Amidst the controversy, Student Life moved forward with school events back on campus. Students learned to deal with the stress and frustration of the academic year.

Stress and frustration have been prevalent throughout the academic year, a normal phenomenon for students. As the academic year comes to a close, students have come to realize that their stress may not be as bad as they thought it was. The academic stress that students experience is normal, and it is the way they deal with it that matters.

As students move on to the summer, many will find themselves without the structure of the academic year. The transition from the rigors of school to the leisure of summer can be challenging. Many students will find themselves having to adjust to a new schedule and routine. However, the break from the academic pressure can provide an opportunity for students to reflect on their experiences and growth throughout the year.

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Junior year: metro stops, security concerns and stem cells

By Andrea Winter

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Sophomore year: Katrina, charity and change

BY HELEN RHEE
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The 2005-2006 academic year was one of unexpected change for both the Washington University campus and the nation. Hurricane Katrina’s devastation of the Gulf Coast region largely shaped a year of charity and change.

Some students returned to campus in late August greeted by the news that the homes they had left were destroyed by the hurricane. Many college students, faculty and workers displaced by Katrina found shelter at Washington University. In the fall semester, the University welcomed students from Tulane and Loyola whose colleges were closed due to extensive damage by the hurricanes.

Among the displaced students were freshmen from Tulane who had to evacuate during their move-in day. In August, the University offered financial aid and health services to students who were affected by the hurricanes. Unlike other schools, the University did not plan to return displaced students’ tuition to their home universities in New Orleans.

From a capella concerts to the Emory Student A c a d e m y ’ s “Macon Ball,” many student groups initiated campus-wide fundraising efforts to help rebuild the Gulf Coast region and support its victims. For some students, the relief effort was beyond campus initiatives. Many University students joined other college students from around the country in a working spring break trip to New Orleans, where they volunteered to help rebuild broken homes for the victims of Hurricane Katrina.

In other fund-raising events during the year, thirty Marathon raised $15,000, and Lili surpassed its fund-raising goal of $25,000.

The University also announced several significant changes, starting with the decision to use new, safe, low floors at 165. The new minimum wage standard was a reaction to the Student Worker Alliance’s win at the admissions office during April 2005, when students demanded that the University raise the employee minimum wage to the city’s living wage standard.

Hoping to increase public transportation for commuting students and workers, the University announced that it would start offering five universal Metro passes for any full-time undergraduate, graduate, faculty or staff member of Washington University. The Metro pass is valid for MetroLink and Metrolink and became fully functional at the beginning of the 2005-2006 school year.

The University also moved forward by revealing a plan for the new Danforth University Center. The University Center will replace the former Prince Hall. Despite protests led by St. Louis preservationists, Prince Hall was demolished in the summer of 2006.

Chancellor Wrighton also wrote a letter to parents detailing the 2005-2006 academic year tuition hike of 5.5 percent. He described it as “the greatest marginal increase in six years.”

In health news, Student Health Services (SHS) relocated from its main campus location in Umber Hall to ForthOnes House, now Dantick House, on the South 40. The relocation cost about $2 million but provided SHS with significantly more space.

Most recently, the University announced that it would rename the Hilltop Campus location in Umrath Hall to Danforth Campus to commemorate the University chancellor, who made significant financial contributions to the University over the years.

Emory University’s “declaration of war” against Washington University shook this campus in mid-Sept. 2005. Emory students vandalized both Washington University’s campus and their own, attempting to pass off the vandalism on Emory’s campus as a failure by Washington University students. In one report, messages in yellow and blue read, “We girls are ugly. Emory University. ” Emory owns U. ” and “George Washington is dead. ”

The act came two days after the Emory student newspaper released an op-ed piece that started a rivalry with Washington University students. The student who authored the letter wrote on behalf of Emory’s Department of War, a newly created branch of the school’s Student Government Association. For a university in which rivalry with other schools is minimal and school spirit nonexistent, the war initiated by the Emory briefly ignited school camaraderie.

For the Assembly Series, the University welcomed several prominent speakers, including Cornel West and Jonathan Kozol, an authority on education, and public intellectual Cornel West and Jonathan Kozol, an authority on the American public school system.

In the engineering school, students showcased their new Vertigo dance floor, which was later displayed at the Contemporary Art Museum in St. Louis. It was also announced that Shynae Johnson from Cornell University would join the school in 2006 as the new dean of the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences.

The spring 2006 semester also brought new changes to the Undergraduate Residential Commons. Students said good-bye to Two-Bell and ushered in Bon Appétit’s new Asian-themed concept with Sula/Peking duck. The University also added new dorms to its north campus.

Contra the Emory newspaper, the student who authored the letter wrote that he was “tired of Emory being up in our business.”

Senior Andrew Thompson helps keep clean clothes in New Orleans during spring break.

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES to the Graduates of the Class of 2008

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ARTS & SCIENCES Washington University in St. Louis
EAU CLAIRE — University students will pay more for their dorms, meals and textbooks, according to a financial aid plan announced by Chancellor David Ward.

The plan, which Ward called "a significant step in the university’s efforts to be more student-focused and responsive," includes an increase in the room and board rate for off-campus students and the introduction of a meal plan option for on-campus students.

The new rates, which will take effect Aug. 1, are as follows:

- Room and board for off-campus students: $8,499 per year
- Room and board for on-campus students: $8,250 per year
- Standard meal plan for on-campus students: $3,999 per year
- Flex meal plan for on-campus students: $2,499 per year
- Textbooks: $1,000 per year

Ward said the changes are necessary to help maintain the university’s fiscal health and ensure that students have access to affordable housing and meals.

"We have had to make this decision in order to maintain the quality of our education and to provide our students with the best possible environment," Ward said. "These changes will allow us to continue to offer a high-quality education at a reasonable cost."
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Wherever you go, there we are! We will host Young Alumni happy hours in cities across the United States during the month of September to welcome you to your alumni clubs!

Be on the lookout in August for your invitation via mail & email. Please join us for some fun and meet the WU alumni already living in your city!

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Chris Matthews is a leading political commentator and former White House correspondent. He is known for his work on “Meet the Press” and his role as a political analyst. His columns and writing often focus on the role of the media in politics and the importance of public engagement in political discourse.

In this text, Matthews reflects on the role of Commencement addresses in higher education. He discusses the significance of selecting a speaker who can inspire graduates and provide meaningful advice. Matthews mentions the importance of choosing someone who has a strong connection to the university and is not mass-market, focusing on people who have overcome challenges and have a definite name awareness.

Matthews suggests that Commencement speakers should be excellent choices for people who have been involved in the political arena. He highlights the potential for Commencement to promote political participation and increase political awareness among students. Matthews notes that Commencement has a unique role in providing a transition for graduates, helping them to move from their college lives to the professional world.

In his reflections, Matthews emphasizes the importance of selecting a top choice for the event, recognizing the significance of the role the Commencement address plays in shaping the futures of graduating seniors. He stresses the need for Commencement to be an event that provides a meaningful experience for students, helping them to feel proud of their accomplishments and inspiring them to continue their journey in life.
Six to receive honorary degrees at Commencement

Six scholars, each with expertise in a different field, will receive honorary degrees at Washington University's 167th Commencement Ceremony on May 10.

The recipients include Chris Matthews, a political commentator on MSNBC who will also give the Commencement address; Quincy Jones, a music composer and film and television producer; Lee Song Soo, a business executive and philanthropist of the arts; Washington University Professor Emerita Phyllis Schlafly; Jessie Ternberg, a professor emeritus of pediatrics and pediatric surgery; Washington University President and philanthropist of the university; Lee Seng Tee, a business executive and film and television producer on MSNBC who will also give the commencement address; and Matthew T. Perry, a political commentator.

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Senior athletes say goodbye to Wash. U.

BY VERA GOLDEN

This year has been a history year for Wash. U. University athletics. In the national rankings, Wash. U. received its first-ever #1 ranking. But the team also lost its last game to a division rivalidian, bringing its season to a close.

The win against Amherst also brought high hopes, with All-Americans in the pro-

Looking back, what was your best memory of Wash. U. sports?

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Five years of sports milestones

2004

Nina Guehne (cross country) named UAA Runner of the Year.
Molly Duesing (football) named UAA Player of the Year.
John Hoek (football) named Academic All-American.
Charlotte Zeller (women’s soccer) named UAA Player of the Year and Academic All-American.
Caitlin Reiner (volleyball) named UAA Player of the Year.
Karen Lakey and Megan Shaw (volleyball) named All-Americans.

2005

Kelly Mailing (women’s basketball) named UAA Player of the Year.
Manning and Halie Hooberman (women’s basketball) named All-Americans.
Alice Antilla, Michael Slavik, Sarah Stein, Erik Triebel, Ross Yurek and Corey Zniewski’s (men’s swimming) named All-Americans.
Alison Geiger, Tina Drachev, Kara Duke, Brenna Eid, Kristin First, Hannah Backlund and Jenny Scott (women’s swimming) named All-Americans.
Noelle Moxley named UAA Swimmer of the Year and Rookie of the Year.

2007

Amos Thompson (basketball) named UAA Rookie of the Year.
Rhett Cordon (football) named UAA Player of the Year, Academic All-American, Player of the Year, and Academic All-American.
Men’s basketball makes its first ever Final Four appearance.
Alex Royer, Perry Bullock, Brian Kazmier, Leidy and Yara (men’s swimming) named All-Americans.
Royer (men’s swimming) named UAA Rookie of the Year.
Mark Black, Keegan, Kerris Jostad, Norek and Zniewski (women’s swimming) named All-Americans.
Zniewski named UAA Diver of the Year.

2006

Manning named UAA Player of the Year.
Manning and Stacie Bierholz (women’s basketball) named All-Americans.
Shamea Lei Driscoll (women’s basketball) named UAA Rookie of the Year.
Tyra Anderson (basketball) named UAA Rookie of the Year.
Griffy Braft (basketball) named Academic All-American.
Silvak and Triebel (men’s swimming) win national titles in the 1-meter dive and 200-meter freestyle individually.
Aggi Gott, Griffy Braft, Kenz Lakey, Shadik, Triebel, Yurek and Zniewski (men’s swimming) named All-Americans.
Donovan, Kim Jenkins, Kelly Ann, Kelly MacArthur, Noelle Moxley, Donna Jean and Jenny Scott (women’s swimming) named All-Americans.

2008

Barth named Academic All-American Player of the Year. National Player of the Year and Joshua Trophy recipient.
Mark Edwards (basketball) named National Coach of the Year.
Alex Moberg (basketball) named UAA Rookie of the Year.
Michael Hall (baseball), Brice Conley, Zach Conley, Zniewski and Damek (men’s swimming) named All-Americans.
Kriek, Jaden Whyte, Shadik, Yurek, Norek, Norek and Zine (women’s swimming) named All-Americans.
Zniewski named UAA Diver of the Year.

2009

Leonard-Fleckman wins national championship in the pool walk.
Leonard-Fleckman, Washington, Sangita Hardy, Kelei Blake, Zniewski and Yurek (track and field) named All-Americans.
Leonard-Fleckman and Washington (track and field) and Bedell named UAA Players of the Year.
Bedell (football) and field and Bedell named UAA Rookie of the Year.

Women’s pool becomes an officially sanctioned sport.

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Zennier: I will miss too many people for too long, but mostly just working hard with a bunch of people that I never thought I would ever want to leave, being coached by a single goal coach can’t begin to describe, pretty inspiring.
Frisella: My teammates and the feeling of shared accomplishment after races. Our team dinners at Center City, 100 minutes long, theme night Friday, Oak Knoll with the band singing in the dinners, playing cards on the rides, team break downs, fire works, pool and camp weeks, summer trips to the great lakes, UAA meets... I’ll even miss 5 a.m. wake up runs on race day.
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The Graduate

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I was admitted to Washington University off the wait-list on the last day of high school classes. By then, I had already sent in my housing deposit to the University of Florida and was ready to order my Gator appetite. But before that day of classes began, I was told by my college counselor to keep an eye out for a message. He paged me into his office as soon as I walked in and—I can’t believe it—but the door was almost shut. I must have looked a bitazed because he quickly introduced himself to me. He was a new admissions officer and his name was Neil Patel. Naturally, we on Eliot 3 had heard rumors of his presence revitalizing campus for a few weeks. As we ate dinner to learn about his controversy and the ensuing outrage. As we ate dinner, he started off by saying that his presence was the morally right thing to do. As we go out and work in the world, many of us as advocates and protectors of our fellow citizens, be aware that the source of poor decisions is sometimes found in the world, many of us as advocates and protectors of our fellow citizens, be aware that the source of poor decisions is sometimes found in the world. And as we face our future, we must always be mindful of the morally right thing to do. As we go out and work in the world, many of us as advocates and protectors of our fellow citizens, be aware that the source of poor decisions is sometimes found in the world. And as we face our future, we must always be mindful of the morally right thing to do.
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When that was a fun few years. Remember when there was a face book on campus? And that time when those email addresses were harvested from an admission office? Oh, the memories. Frankly, however, there is only one thing that really unifies the Class of 2008: Facebook. Facebook, formerly known as that Facebook thing that everyone was doing at Clayton Rd., U. on May 2, 2004. That makes us the first class to have started school with Facebook as part of our lives, whether or not we were actually on it. We complained to Facebook that we don’t like it, but we joined as well. Instead of actually using Facebook, we not love it? Thepossibility for Facebook’s further involve- ment in our lives is limitless. The big drawback “what are you doing next year?” conversa- tion is all but gone—we can just check Facebook now. The infamously more awkward getting to know you conversations for people we will see again in our class are now replaced by “Hey, want to join Facebook and make friends that way. And who knows what features Facebook will roll out next? Finally, we'll hate them. And we'll use them all.

Most of all, it will let us all stay in touch without really trying. If I somehow graduate law school and get a job, I’ll try to put up a link for you. When you get engaged or mar- ried, have a baby, or go to that new bar, you’ll let us know, and we won’t have to exchange a single word. When you have kids, make sure you sign them up for Facebook im- mediately. That way, we can all see how adorable your baby is, and you don’t need little Troy or Leah in vain, you’ll name all your children after the MVP of our national championship basketball team to be the last kid without Facebook. In all of our money. And that’s just fine. Facebook is the one place where you can get away from your roommate and actually connect with the people you really want to connect with.

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REMEMBERING YOUR GRADUATION

It’s a striking, familiar story. Ask a person what he or she had for dinner two weeks ago, and you’re likely to elicit blank stares. But ask that same person to describe an important historical event that she or she witnessed, and the story changes completely. Not only will you hear a detailed account of the event itself, but you’ll also likely be able to remember what that person was doing when he or she first heard about this event. If you don’t believe me, then try to think about what you were doing when you first heard about the September 11 terrorist attacks. You can probably do it. If you were also during the 1990s, try to imagine where you were when you first heard about the Kennedy associ- ation. Again, you’ll probably able to do it.

This phenomenon isn’t restricted to trying to remember events that were either tragic or truly exciting. The events themselves just need to elicit a strong emotional response. So this means that you could also experience something simi- lar when attempting to re- member special birthdays, important family reunions, and even graduation cere- monies, because such events are referred to these kinds of recollections as “flashbulb memories.” Because they are unusually significant, and they’re a fairly common emo- tional response. But don’t do it in a rush. Flashbulb memory was extremely significant for you at that personal level, and your memory of that will likely be transformed into a flashbulb memory. The rea- son for this is that emotion plays a role in enhancing the recollection of your own memories. Consequently, emotional responses are the ones that you are likely to remember in the more vivid, or “flashbulb.”

I’m telling you all of this for one reason: I’m graduating from the college of Arts & Sciences and you can be reached by e-mail at danmilstein@wustl.edu.

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While I won’t claim that I was the most productive person in the room and I may have forgotten to do some things, I can honestly say that I have gained something positive from meeting each and every one of you, even if you were one of the bad bosses (and you know who you are...Jason Feldman). I wish you all the best with your respective endeavors and I wish you all the success you can achieve, without neglecting your years at Wash. U. We always answer questions, and it’s never too late to ask for help.

While I now understand the depth of the advice given to me at my high school, now that I have completed college, I think we wonders about our lives have to be limited to only four years. Even though I knew the real world and the Wash. U. bubble were vastly different, I hope that in whatever jobs we work at or pursue, that we will be as happy as we are in the Corporate world, using the skills that we learned in college, to make decisions to go with what engages us.

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Lessons from my college experience

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  Senior

“Improv—the ability to make a difference on campus by being part of a public group.”

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