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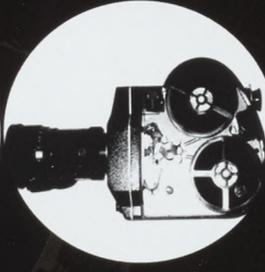


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LAUREATE





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# CAMPUS LIFE





When asked how they feel about their daughter attending ODU, Randolph and Rebecca Shelton, parents of Alli Shelton, offered positive responses while unloading their SUV outside of Rogers Hall.

"Great," said Mr. Shelton.

"Good Choice," said Mrs. Shelton who feels that her daughter will have a good academic career at ODU.

The Sheltons did not travel far; just about two hours from Chesterfield, VA, which is in the Richmond area. Alli said one of the main reasons she chose ODU is because it is "close to home."

Another parent at Gresham Hall, who asked to remain anonymous, also gave a happy response to his daughter attending ODU. He said that he is very pleased and that it was "relatively easy" moving his daughter in and getting acquainted with the university. His only concern is that his daughter will not know what to do with herself and her new freedom. He said, "she really has no idea right now."

That is also a concern for Mrs. Shelton who said she "just hope(s) there will be people reaching out to freshmen." The Sheltons were very concerned about the best places for Alli to study.

Unlike previous years, no one interviewed was the least bit concerned about safety which has been a major concern with parents and students. Overall, move-in 2006 seemed less hectic than years before which is probably because freshmen started moving in on Wednesday August 23, instead of all cramming in on Friday.

Josh Davis, a transfer student from Northern Virginia Community College, moved in on Thursday because he "thought there would be a lot of people" on Friday and because he wanted to get settled in early since his room is tripled. Similar to last year, the university has increased the freshmen class from 2094 to 2119. The increased student number means that more rooms will be shared by three students.

"It sucks! It's horrible!" That is how Josh feels about living in a triple.

He even tried to wait for all three guys to arrive before unpacking his belongings so that they could divide the room fairly. Josh seemed frustrated about how "the third guy came and took over," demonstrating one of the many problems that can come with living in too close quarters with two strangers.

# THE UNIVERSITY



# Freshman Convocation

Opening weekend 2006 culminated with Freshmen Convocation held at the Ted Constant Convocation Center. This traditional ceremony welcomes freshmen into the university and gets them ready for the academic year. Freshmen Zach Williams said, "it reinstated me back into school and got me ready for classes after the four days of fun." Zach and his friend Jason Nobles both thought that Convocation was not as bad as they thought it would be. "It was short, and I liked the speaker," said Jason.

The speaker, Sam Glenn of Sam Glenn Enterprises, also spoke at last year's Freshmen Convocation. Marlane Gravely and Tarshay Blackwell also liked the speaker. Tarshay especially liked Glenn's message about how every student should approach school with a positive attitude, and if they do it will ensure that they all make it to graduation.

When asked what she liked about Glenn, Marlane said, "He told his life stories and things that happened to him."

"He gave a positive message without being too boring; he was phenomenal." This was Tarshay's answer to the same question.

Overwhelmingly, when asked what was most memorable about Convocation, all of the freshmen interviewed mentioned the guest speaker.

Freshmen Convocation is Old Dominion's last encouragement before students officially enter into college life. With that, the newest editions to Old Dominion's magnificent legacy are ready to make their mark!

▣ Adrienne Gainer



If you attended Convocation, you definitely noticed Senior Jovie Corpus. This is her second year singing the National Anthem and Alma Mater at this ceremony.

Jovie: "Last year I was nervous, but this year it wasn't so bad. My nerves aren't there anymore. I get excited, but there is nothing nervous about it."

Jovie, who is working on her Masters in Interdisciplinary Studies (Pre-K through 6), was recruited to sing at last year's Convocation by Kelly Jo Karnes (Associate Director for Student Activities and Leadership) who had heard of Jovie's talents from numerous other students. Surprisingly, Jovie, having had no professional vocal training, is comfortable singing in front of about 2200 people!

Jovie: "I like singing, but then there are all of the dynamics that go into it like sight reading and theory. I guess I feel comfortable around the freshmen because I am a preview counselor."

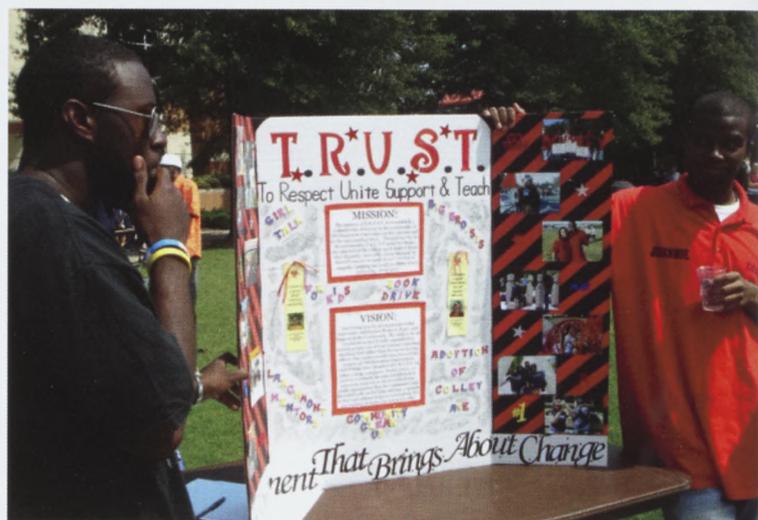
Even though it was 5 years ago, Jovie still remembers her Freshmen Convocation.

Jovie: "I know it wasn't at the Constant Convocation Center! I remember dressing up, and we received those pins, and everybody got to pin them on each other."

The details may have faded, but the memories of her first glimpse at the academic side of college are imprinted in Jovie's mind. Freshmen Convocation prepares students for what is to come, an exciting and enriching career at ODU.

□ Adrienne Gainer





# MAINSTREET

The definition of "main" provided by Dictionary.com is: chief in size, extent, or importance. When I looked up "street," also from Dictionary.com, I received: a public thoroughfare. So when you put these two definitions together, you get a public thoroughfare chief in size, extent, or importance. That to me is perhaps the best way to describe ODU's Mainstreet event.

Every year in early September, student organizations and clubs alike get their chance to sell themselves to potential new club members. Flyers, banners, posters can be seen from as far away as Hampton Boulevard. If you had no idea when or where Mainstreet was, then you had to have been walking in another state. People off the street even came up to club tables hoping to get in on the action.

One person who did take advantage of the festivities was Heather StClair, a transfer student from Troutville, Virginia. I had the chance to ask her a couple of things, and here's what she said:



J.M.: "How did you hear about Mainstreet?"

H.S.: "I found out about Mainstreet from the signs posted in the Webb Center and from the information in the housing packets left in the room on move-in day."

J.M.: "What were your expectations?"

H.S.: "I was expecting to find a lot of clubs/organizations for me to check out and maybe join in order to get more involved in campus life and meet some new people."

J.M.: "Did you find Mainstreet useful?"

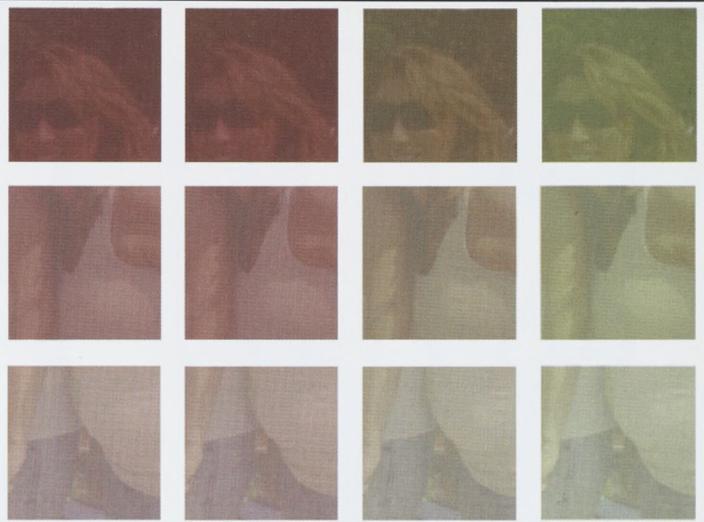
H.S.: "I found Mainstreet to be useful, but a little crowded."

J.M.: "Overall, how was your experience?"

H.S.: "My experience was good; it got me out of my room for a while, and I got to see a lot of interesting organizations."

Heather is now a proud member of the Monarch Swing Dance Association and the Earth and Ocean Sciences Club.

□ Jenny Monokrousos



Mainstreet - the crowds, the fun, and the stress. At Mainstreet, confused freshmen were not the only ones making the rounds from table to table. Club members and advisors alike were anxious to make sure their club's name was noticed.

Katie Gipe, a junior and a member of the Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM) for the past three years, gave the Laureate some insight on how it felt being on the other side of the table:

Laureate: Why did you decided to enter your organization into Mainstreet?

KG: We decided to do Mainstreet because it's always been a great way to get our organization out there. It's also a great way to meet new students and tell them about Catholic Campus Ministry.

Laureate: Was the outcome of Mainstreet what you expected?

KG: Yes, we got some people to register for our mailing list, and we met some new people who have become involved with CCM.

Laureate: What have you done differently this year than past years?

KG: I don't think we did anything differently. We always give our CCM t-shirt to people who register, and we always hand out info about CCM

Laureate: Did you find Mainstreet an effective recruiting tool?

KG: Yes, it's always a good way to meet new people.

Laureate: If you could change anything about Mainstreet, what would you change?

KG: I would probably have fewer organizations that aren't affiliated with ODU or at least have them sorted separately from ODU organizations because it's hard to get the word out when they have cooler stuff than us.

Katie's organization, Catholic Campus Ministry, offers students of any faith the opportunity to partake in weekly Bible studies and prayer services. There is a Catholic Campus Ministry Center on the corner of 49th Street and Bluestone Avenue that is open everyday.

□ Jenny Monokrousos



# QUAD MOVE-IN



The newest addition to ODU student housing is Ireland?

Ireland is the name of the first of two of four, double winged, residence halls built in the middle of former lot 27. A very distinguished guest, the former President of Ireland, Mary Robinson gave a speech on human rights at the opening ceremony. One light was placed in every window of the Quad in remembrance of Irish emigrants all around the world.

Students who moved into Whitehurst side B in August experienced their second move of the semester on the weekend of October 13th. Unlike other residence halls, this new set of halls, called the Quad, have resident requirements in addition to being an upperclassman. Students must have a 2.5 GPA and be members in good standing of a recognized university organization. The Quad also has a different floor plan than any existing university housing. Every suite has a living room that has two hallways on either side. Each hallway contains a

bathroom and either one or two bedrooms. There are four students to every suite (with the exception of those housing Resident's Assistants who get their own rooms).

Most of the students slated to live in the Quad, such as Senior Tamika Mills, highly anticipated move in. Unfortunately, many of them were disappointed with the semi-finished product. "I do like it. It's really nice. I just think they were trying to make a deadline." This is what Tamika had to say when asked how she felt about students moving into the Quad before the construction was completed. Tamika feels that the outside of the building looks very nice, but the inside is disappointing in that it looks like some building that classes would be held in and not like somewhere nice to live.

Dining options are also a concern for many residents. The Quad does not have a cafeteria because of the close proximity to Webb Center and Café 1201. When asked how she felt

about the Quad not having a cafeteria Tamika said, "I actually don't like that. I miss going right downstairs. Even when the cafeteria was closed the C-Store was really convenient." Unfortunately, when the quad first opened Café 1201 closed at 6:30 pm and was not open at all on weekends. The Quad does not have a convenience store. This problem was eliminated once the kitchenettes, located in the lounge rooms on each of the Quad's four floors were installed. Before dining services extended Café 1201 hours in the spring semester, students living in the Quad had to venture off campus to find food.

Despite some initial unpleasant conditions, the Quad provides much needed additional space to house ODU's ever growing resident population.

□Adrienne Gainer

# CONSTRUCTION

## on campus

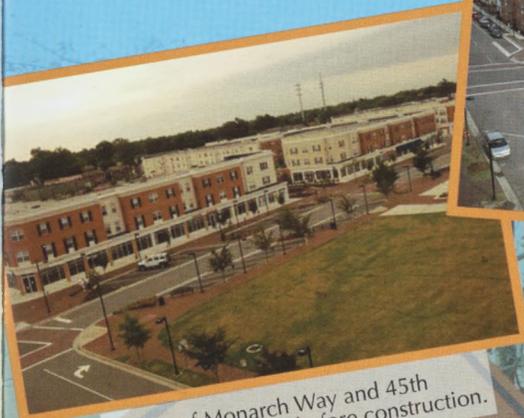
If you asked a student two years ago about construction on campus he or she probably would have said there is a lot. In retrospect, the construction of the '04-'05 school year is palled in comparison to this year. Not a single trek from lodging to class is without some unsightly eye sore. The Health and Physical Education building was almost completely demolished. Students are forced to exercise and play basketball in a warehouse on 47th street. Construction has also started on the new location of the ODU bookstore. Currently housed in the Webb Center, the bookstore will be moving to the corner of Monarch Way and 45th Street in the Village.

This year also saw the construction of the first and second Quad dormitories, which sit in the middle of lot 27. Work is even being done on a plot of grass in between Webb and Constant where a construction worker accidentally cut a phone line while digging. Even though this year's construction is more than previous year's, odds are that there will be even more construction in the future when two more buildings are added to the Quad, Elkhorn Avenue is replaced with a lawn and walkways, and the Webb Center is renovated. There is even talk of Powhatan apartments being rebuilt. Although inconvenient, all of this construction proves that ODU is constantly changing for the better!

□ Adrienne Gainer



Corner of Monarch Way and 45th street during construction of new bookstore.



Corner of Monarch Way and 45th street in the village before construction.

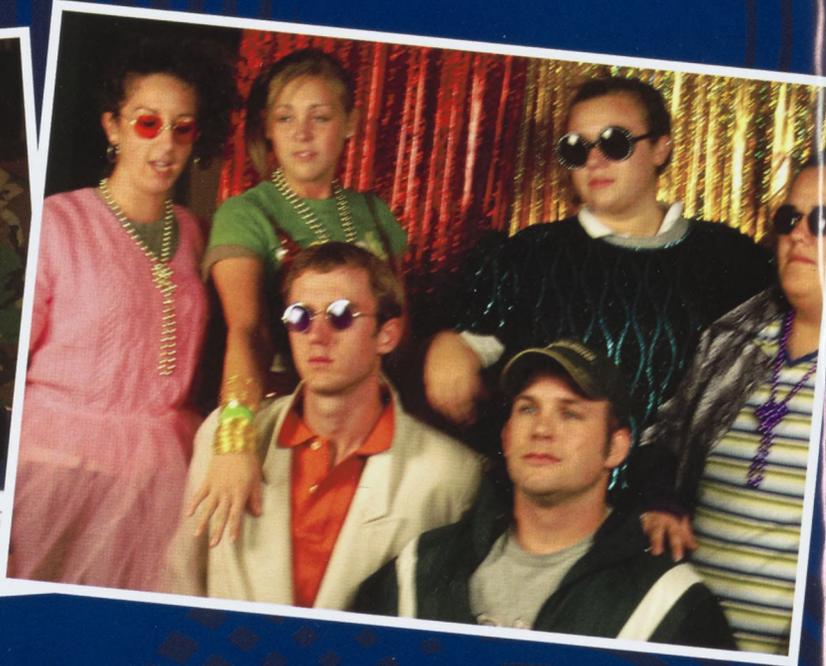
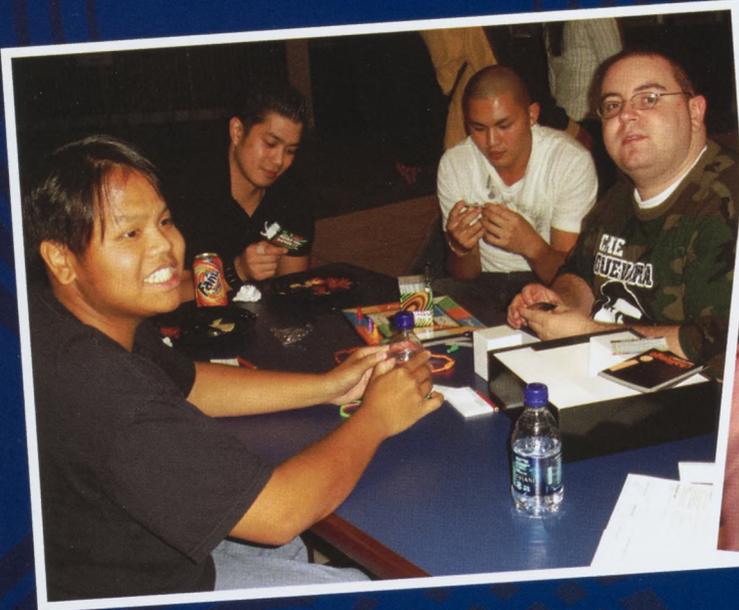


Grass plot in between Webb and Constant where phone line was accidentally cut.



Site of old and new H&PE building.

# AFTER DARK



Every year, the Office of Student Activities and Leadership staff plans events and activities designed to keep students on campus over the weekends. This year the staff put a new spin on some of the events. In order to keep programming fresh and interesting, Late Nighters transformed into ODU After Dark.

"It's basically the same thing. We changed the names so we could have a theme," said Nicole Zelazny who is responsible for planning After Dark programs.

Similar to Late Nighters, After Dark activities include bingo, inflatables, music, food, performers, and some sort of memento, such as picture key chains or old time photos. According to Zelazny, what makes After Dark different from Late Nighters are the themed activities. For example, the October After Dark had a Halloween Fright Night theme with pumpkin carving, Drag Bingo, a Murder Mystery Dinner, and a psychic fair. Another new attraction at all After Dark events is the Midnight Movie, and of course, there are plenty of chances to win great prizes.

Among the students at the first After Dark (80's theme) was Junior Omar Pickron.

Laureate: Why did you decide to attend 80's night?

Omar: I went because my friend forced me to go; expectations (were) that 80s night would be a huge event.

Laureate: What attractions did you encounter?

Omar: There was a huge screen which played 80's music videos, board games, a comedian, speed dating, and there were like four different

movies playing.

Laureate: Did you participate in speed dating?

Omar: I participated. It was an interesting concept. It is a great way to meet new people for one night only, no life long friends. I would have to say speed dating was horrible.

Laureate: What was your favorite part of 80's Night?

Omar: I have to say the music videos. They brought back great memories. The largest crowd was at the comedian.

Laureate: How did you feel about the event as a whole?

Omar: I stayed about two hours. I could have done a lot more productive things.

Laureate: Do you plan to attend the next After Dark?

Omar: Probably no. It depends on the theme.

Omar, along with several other students agreed that 80s Night was a good theme idea, but generally students do other things on Fridays. An anonymous student stated, "A lot of students wanted to go, but had other plans."

Even though the first After Dark did not have as big a turn out as was hoped (250 students), with a little more advertisement OSAL hopes that After Dark will become a successful tradition.

□ Adrienne Gainer

# LEADERSHIP

Waking up before 9 am on Saturday morning is not something most university students would volunteer to do unless it involves free food and an exciting speaker. Student leaders assembled in the Webb Center for the annual Leadership Lab. In previous years the entire lab took place on Saturday morning. This year there were two labs: a Technical Lab from 3-5pm on Friday and the traditional Leadership portion on Saturday.

The Laureate interviewed Kelly Jo Karnes, Associate Director for Student Activities and Leadership, to find out about this change and to get some information from behind the scenes.

Laureate: What is the purpose of Leadership Labs?

KJ Karnes: The Technical Labs' purpose was to solely focus on the "technical" aspects of running a club or organization. It included sessions on managing your SGA Budget, updating your on-line roster, reserving rooms and organizing events on campus.

The Leadership Lab was then able to focus solely on programming to improve leadership skills and aspects or individuals or organizations.

Laureate: What was the theme of this year's Lab?

KJ Karnes: We used the theme of "One Better World." Our keynote for the Leadership Lab was Mr. Vernon Wall. He does a lot of work in the area of Social Justice, and "One Better World" is the name of his website.

Laureate: How many students attended?

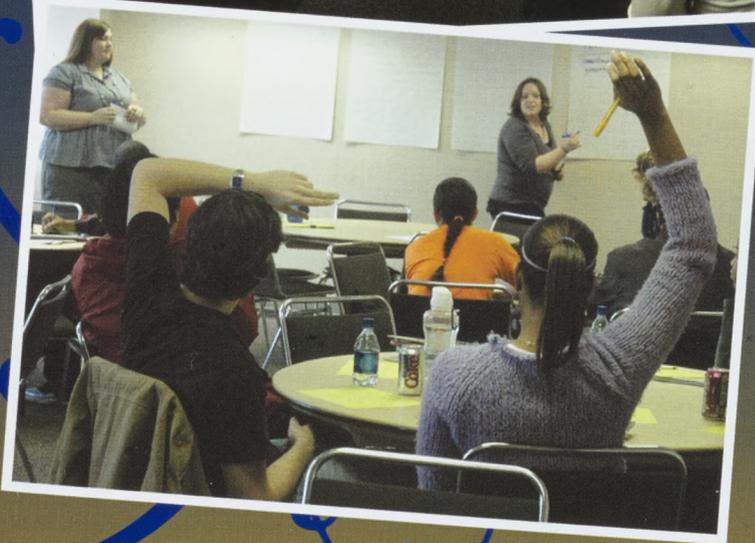
KJ Karnes: We had about 200 at the technical lab and about 80 at the leadership lab.

Student Leader Damien Cash attended the Leadership Lab on Saturday. "It was interesting. I liked how the speaker separated the group by leadership skills." Damien is not part of an organization. He signed up for the Lab on his own hoping to improve his leadership skills. "I think (the Lab) is a good idea for people who are trying to become a student leader."

Not only did students leave the Lab with some new leadership tactics, but they also received the traditional Leadership Lab t-shirt with this year's theme, "One Better World," printed on it.

In addition to the Leadership Lab in the fall, during the spring semester the Office of Student Activities and Leadership offers students another opportunity to learn about leadership at the Leadership Lecture Series. During the series student can attend five programs designed to develop leadership skills. Students who attended three out of the five received an official leadership certificate! Subjects for the programs included writing a resume and officer transitions.

□Adrienne Gainer



# House Party



Nestled near the end of 49th street sits a quiet little house. This house is the Hugo A. Owens African American Cultural Center. This year, "The House" held its annual "House Party" inviting all students and family members to watch dozens of organizations perform Greek step, enlightening gospel songs, dances, and other club performances.

Entertainers and spectators alike were delighted to see that a large portable stage with lights was provided for them by the City of Norfolk. This made later performances much more visible.

Acts by the African Caribbean Association, the brothers of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, and the sisters of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, among others, delighted viewers with their intricate and entertaining dance moves and Greek stepping.

In addition to the usual free food and fun games, there was a performance by the new Power Lifting Club. Three gentlemen from the Power Lifting Club presented a basic body drill performance, which consists of the men holding their body in structure enhancing positions. Basically, these guys went on stage and flexed their muscles. When asked how he felt performing in front of all the guests, Louis Baah, president of the Power Lifting Club and a member of the African Caribbean Association commented, "Before we got on stage it was scary, but relief came when the crowd started to cheer. In general it was a lot of fun."

The party continued as the daylight grew dim. Finally, when all the food had run out and all the performances were complete, the "House Party" ended.

□ Jenny Monokrousos



# Community Care Day



Old Dominion held its first Community Care Day in 2003 to provide volunteer services to nearby neighborhoods and local agencies. Its purpose is to foster good relationships with the communities surrounding ODU's campus. This year ODU has a new Coordinator for Community Service, Tami Park. The Laureate caught up with Tami a few days after the event to get her input on this year's projects:

Laureate: As the Coordinator for Community Service what types of things do you do?

Tami: My main purpose is to match students with appropriate non-profit agencies.

Laureate: What types of projects did students do this year?

Tami: The most visible and well-attended project is always community clean up in Larchmont and Highland Park. Students also donated food to the Food bank of Southeastern Virginia. There were many small projects that were very successful.

Laureate: How was the turnout this year?

Tami: There were over 600 people this year, including Faculty, Staff, and students. Some students were excited to earn extra credit for classes or recognition in organizations, but some did it just for the experience.

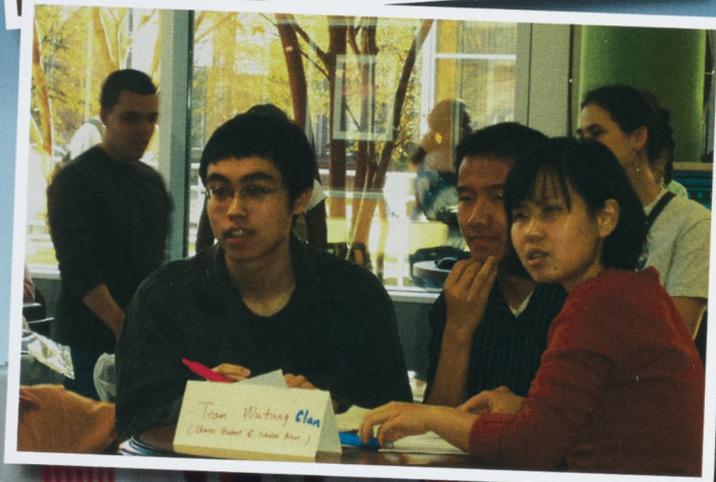
Laureate: Overall, would you say Community Care Day was a success this year?

Tami: Definitely!

Indeed it seems that Community Care Day was a great success. Students were out in the community doing everything from picking up trash to stenciling storm drains to stop people from dumping waste into the bay. This is an important event and all ODU students should consider getting involved in the future.

□ Will Renn

# International Flavor



"International Flavor" was created as a response to what students expect from on-campus events. A focus group, consisting of a number of student leaders from various organizations, helped assess what students would like ODU events to include. Each program had a different theme and title, which aimed at exposing individuals to other cultures. One of the coordinators of the program, Dionicia Mahler-Rogers noted that these programs added to "students' understanding and tolerance for differences between cultures by increasing their interaction with diverse groups."

At the first program, "A Penny for your thoughts," students were asked to bring in a coin from anywhere in the world and share an experience or something significant about the coin. The overall idea was that through this, students, both American and international, could be introduced to each other's cultures and be able to broaden their perspectives of one another. To further enhance the intercultural experience, students were also able to participate in a bread tasting. A variety of breads and bread spreads, with recipes originating from countries like India, Poland, Ireland, and many more, were offered to all attendants. Unlike other cultural events that ODU offers, like "Cultural Explosion," "Café con Leche," and "Cipher," "A Penny for your thoughts" was much smaller and thus offered an intimate setting, making the intercultural connection stronger.

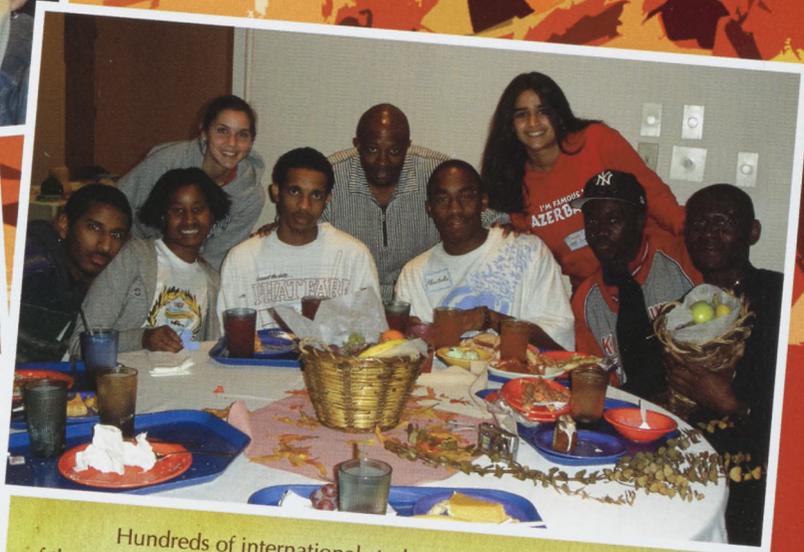
At the following program in October, titled "Rules of the Game," students introduced and demonstrated various games from other countries, like India, and also games from different states. Other programs that took place during the year include "Etiquette Dinner" and "International Fashion." The last program of the spring semester will be an art show, including art pieces from around the world.

For many, college is time for students to grow as individuals. During this growing process, becoming aware and respectful of others and other cultures is essential. Because Old Dominion is quite diverse, students have many opportunities to do so. Mahler-Rogers commented, "We can't visit all the countries, but we have all the students here so why not maximize your experience by interacting and gaining different perspectives." She continued, "We have such a diverse campus, but what benefit is it to you if you don't reach out and make the most of it? It is the administration's responsibility to create opportunities for students to maximize their experience on a college campus."

"International Flavor" programs offered plenty of opportunities for students to maximize their college experience and make the most of Old Dominion's diverse campus.

□ Christina Licud

# Thanksgiving Dinner



Hundreds of international students attend Old Dominion. Many of them are not accustomed to the cultures and traditions in the United States. On November 16th the Office of Student Affairs hosted a Thanksgiving dinner for international students. During this event American students presented items that represent Thanksgiving to help international students understand the holiday. "We cannot take every international student home with us for the Thanksgiving holiday but we can give them a taste of the day right here at Old Dominion," said Dionicia Mahler-Rogers, coordinator for outreach and involvement in the Office of Student Activities and Leadership.

# International

Laureate interview with international student Khalid Ishmael:

Laureate: How did you feel the first time you left home to come to ODU?

Khalid: It was (the) first time to leave my home alone, so it was so difficult.

Laureate: Did you miss your family and friends?

Khalid: Of course, yes.

Laureate: Did you miss your country?

Khalid: Yes!

Laureate: How long did it take for you to feel comfortable here?

Khalid: The beginning was hard; everything was strange for me, but after (the) first week I felt OK.

Laureate: Do you live on campus?

Khalid: No.

Laureate: Why not?

Khalid: I have friends who live on Little Creek.

Laureate: How did you feel when you went home over the summer?

Khalid: I was so nervous when I got off the plane because I expected everything would be changed, but when I saw my family at the airport, I felt as (though) I had not been in (the) USA.

Laureate: Were you sad to leave home to come back to ODU, or were you happy to return to America?

Khalid: I felt both; I missed (the) USA, and at the same time I was sad because I won't see my family until next summer.

Laureate: What is the hardest part of being an international student?

Khalid: I think there are no hard parts of being (an) international student.

Laureate: What are some things that you like about being an international student?

Khalid: (I) Meet many people from different countries and (get to) know cultures (from) around the world.

Laureate: What did you think attending ODU would be like before you came?

Khalid: I thought ODU (was a) small university and (that) nobody likes it. Also, I thought there were no activities, but I was wrong.

Laureate: Is attending ODU the way you originally imagined it would be, or is it different than you thought?

Khalid: It is completely different than I thought.

□ William Renn



Students learning self defense at a Campus Safety program.



African Caribbean Association members who participated in International Flavor: Fashion Show.

# international flavor



The international students have returned! According to International Admissions, approximately 1100 international students attended ODU during the '06-'07 school year. Khalid Ismael returned from Saudi Arabia for his second year of study. He spent the summer at home enjoying time with family and friends before preparing for more work toward a Bachelor's Degree in Engineering.

The transition from one country to another can be difficult, but Old Dominion seeks to ease the process for its international student population. The following interview sheds light on the life of a student who chooses to study in the US.

□ William Renn

# Café Con Leche



Would you like some milk in your coffee? *Sí por favor, gracias!* That was precisely the words that were emitting out of every student's mouth that attended this event. The place was filled with color, excitement, and that particular Latino flavor. Café Con Leche had a significant purpose for ODU students, "The point was to dedicate and let everyone come out and learn about Hispanic Heritage Month and experience the culture. We were trying to focus on the food, culture, and dancing," says Café Con Leche attendee and ODU student sophomore Jonathan Pabelo. The night consisted of fun and entertaining events along with dancing, music, and of course café con leche. First, there was a presentation by Guillermo Gomez, a Mexican performance artist. Gomez is known for being edgy, thought provoking, and having far left political views. "He was very interesting, very outspoken. I've never experienced something like that," says Pabelo.

Next came the food, which consisted of traditional Mexican deserts, coffee, and tea from the Mexican restaurant, Plaza Azteca. After the food the DJ played reggaeton music, a mix between reggae and Latin music styles. Everyone was invited to dance. A dance instructor showed students classic salsa moves, which enticed even the inexperienced dancers to join the fun. For the rest of the night dance and music performances from students and various Latin organizations were mixed in with the music. The band performing that night, *Essencia*, is a Latin music band from Hampton Roads. Café Con Leche introduced Latin culture to the students at ODU and came off with great success.

□ Elle Jones

# STUDENT AFFAIRS

## Awards



Old Dominion's fabulous student leaders set a marvelous example of excellence for the campus and community. They plan club meetings, events, and fundraiser, often for little recognition. To show appreciation for student's efforts, and to honor the extraordinary contributions of some, Student Affairs puts on the annual Student Affairs Leadership Awards.

Since April of 2001 students have been given the opportunity to nominate themselves, fellow students, and entire organizations, for a wide range of awards. Applications are available mid-spring semester and the ceremony takes place in April.

□Adrienne Gainer



### Past Awards and 2006 Recipients:

Quiet Influence Award  
Margaret Jones

Outstanding Community Service Award  
Pre-Health Club

Barbara Jordan Community Service Award  
Passion Woodley

Most Improved Organization Award  
Mace and Crown

Best New Organization Award  
South Asian Cultural Association

Outstanding Program of the Year  
Theta Chi Fraternity

Adviser of the Year Award  
Tenesha Cobbs, Freshman Class Council  
and Student Government Association

Outstanding Leadership Award  
Larry Crosby, Luarnie Bermudo, Danyell  
Facteau, Suzette Halfhide, Amber Ivey,  
Ashley Jackson, Kevin Jules, Anshita Kumar,  
Wallie Lacks, Jessica Smith, Mary Worrell,  
Elena Williams

Outstanding Student Organization Award  
Psi Chi

Student Housing Staff Award  
Anshita Kumar

Emerging Leader Award  
Kojo Asamoah-Caesar

Philip J. "Tip" Connell Greek Award  
Jesse Goldstein (Theta Chi Fraternity) and  
Shelby Galvin (Alpha Phi Fraternity)

# SPiRiT



For years, ODU's students and faculty have displayed their pride by sporting Monarch gear on spirit Fridays. In addition, this year, during activity hour, on selected Thursdays spirit = t-shirts! Students caught wearing ODU apparel won a t-shirt sponsored by the Student Ambassadors and ODU Athletics. ODU pride does not stop there. At athletic events students wearing blue and silver are the most enthusiastic fans. Led by the pep-band, Monarch Maniacs, Dance Team, and Cheerleaders, ODU's students and faculty are jam packed full of spirit and excitement!

□Adrienne Gainer

The Monarch Maniacs is a student-based group whose purpose is to cheer on ODU athletics programs and the university in general. Members receive membership cards, t-Shirts, and can participate in giveaways and special events. Any current ODU student can join by going to the Office of Student Activities and Leadership, filling out an application and paying a \$10.00 membership fee.

The Maniacs now have Captains who are representatives that help The Office of Student Activities and Leadership plan Maniacs events and help make the Maniacs a successful group on campus.

□ Joseph R. Durso



# PEP BAND

For twenty-one year old Nicholas Daniels, being a "Ted Head" has more to it than just showing up to see the Monarchs and Lady Monarchs play ball. He is the guy that is at every game, shouting for rebounds, and making every noise possible to distract the other team's foul shots, all while blaring a saxophone during half-time. Nicholas Daniels is a 13-year veteran of the saxophone and has proudly played for the Monarch Pep Band for the last 4 years.

So what does it take to be a part of the pep band? Nicholas Daniels gladly answers this and other thought provoking questions:

Laureate: What changes have you seen the Pep Band go through these past four years?

N.D: I've been through three directors. Currently, we are directed by John Schiffler. I've also noticed a change in the musicians' attitudes from good to better.

Laureate: Besides home games, what other events does the Pep Band attend?

N.D: Besides the men's and women's basketball games, the Pep Band can be seen at ODU pep-rallies and other special events such as Mainstreet.

Laureate: Which special events have you attended?

N.D: The Pep Band went to play at Madison Square Garden in New York last year for the Monarch men's basketball tournament.

Laureate: That is really awesome! So, what is your favorite song to play at basketball games?

N.D: I like "25 or 6 to 4" by Chicago and "Beginnings."

Laureate: What is your worst memory from being in Pep Band?

N.D: I once signed up for an ODU credit card at a basketball game and received a VCU card instead!

Laureate: No! Not VCU, ODU's rivals! What about a great experience?

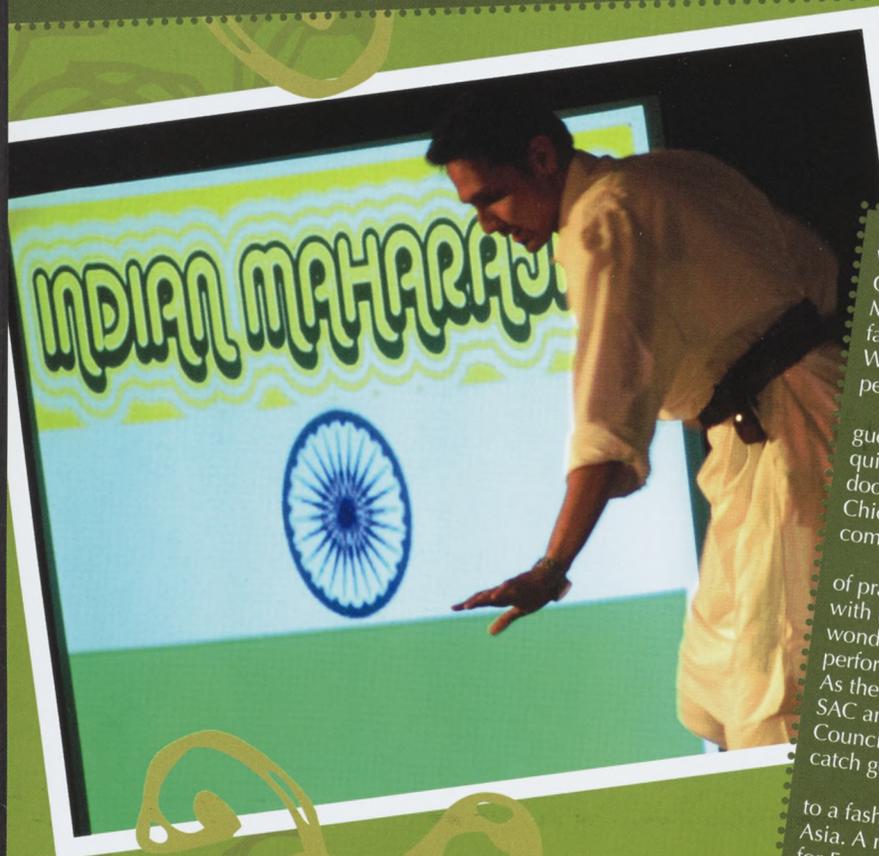
N.D: There is a couple. The time the Pep Band went to Baltimore for a women's basketball tournament was cool. We had our own charter plane with real turkey sandwiches! Another was when sno-cones were given out at a game.

Laureate: Thanks, Nicholas, for sharing with us your experiences from the other side of the court!

□ Jenny Monokrousos



# Cultural Explosion



CRASH, BANG, BOOM! It's an explosion of culture! Well, it didn't actually sound like that, but the third annual Cultural Explosion show did have quite a lot of action! Multicultural Student Services was proud to present another fantastic Cultural Explosion event to a packed North Cafeteria in Webb Center. Over 20 clubs and organizations gave

The day's events started at 5 pm with free food for all guests and performers. When the doors opened, North Café quickly filled up. Some students were allowed to stand near the doors, while some had to sneak in through the back curtains by Chick-fil-A. Security was heavily enforced as some students complained of not being able to leave to use the bathroom.

Ebony Impact Gospel Choir kicked things off with songs of praise. Many students joined in by clapping and singing along with the gospel singers. Next, viewers were treated to a wonderful new rendition of Old Dominion's Alma Mater performed by Arthur Kelly, President of the Student Ambassadors. As the night continued, students got a chance to see a skit from SAC and a hear a poem from members of the Freshman Class Council. Some viewers sitting near the front had the chance to catch goodies thrown from the stage.

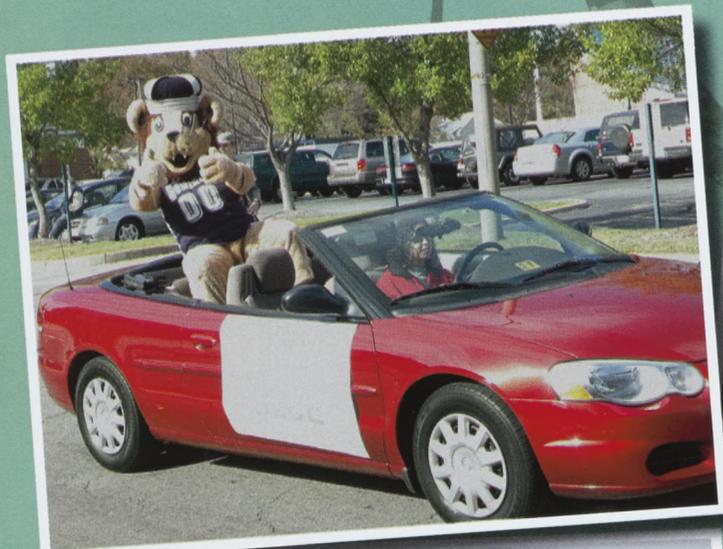
In the second half of the program, viewers were treated to a fashion show of wedding attire from the Southeastern part of Asia. A new group to campus, F.O.R.E.I.G.N.E.R.S., which stands for Fantastic Outstanding Ridiculously Entertaining Immigrant Geniuses with Narcissistic and Egotistical Rationale Squad, gave a short performance of various dances from around the world. Students were surprised and delighted to see a bunch of guys on stage dressed in their native attire while dancing their country's native dances with appropriate music.

The night was a spectacular way to kick off an action packed Homecoming Week.

□ Jenny Monokrousos



# homecoming



Roll out the red carpet!

For Homecoming 2006, Norfolk's royalty left an everlasting legacy. As usual, students and faculty geared up for a weeklong extravaganza of traditional events beginning with the office and residence hall decorating contests. Organizations also spruced up the Webb Center with the banner-decorating contest.

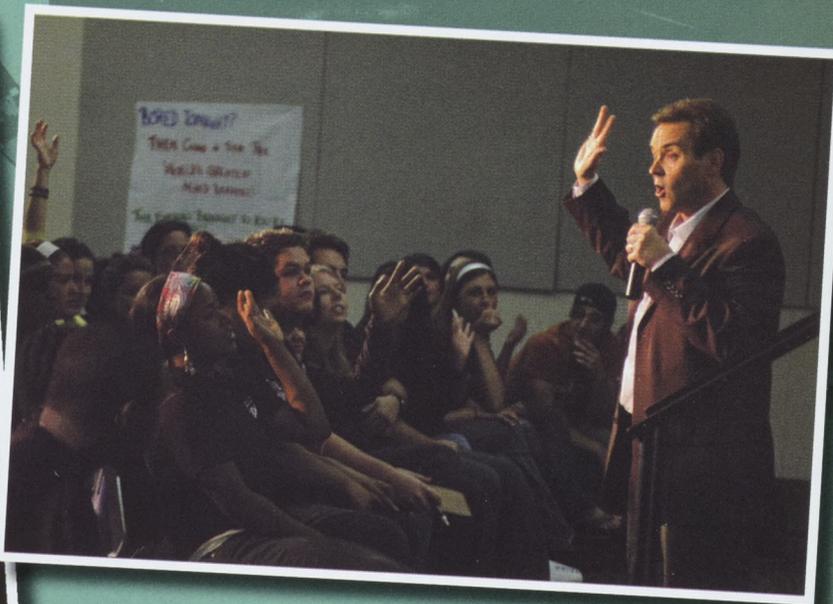
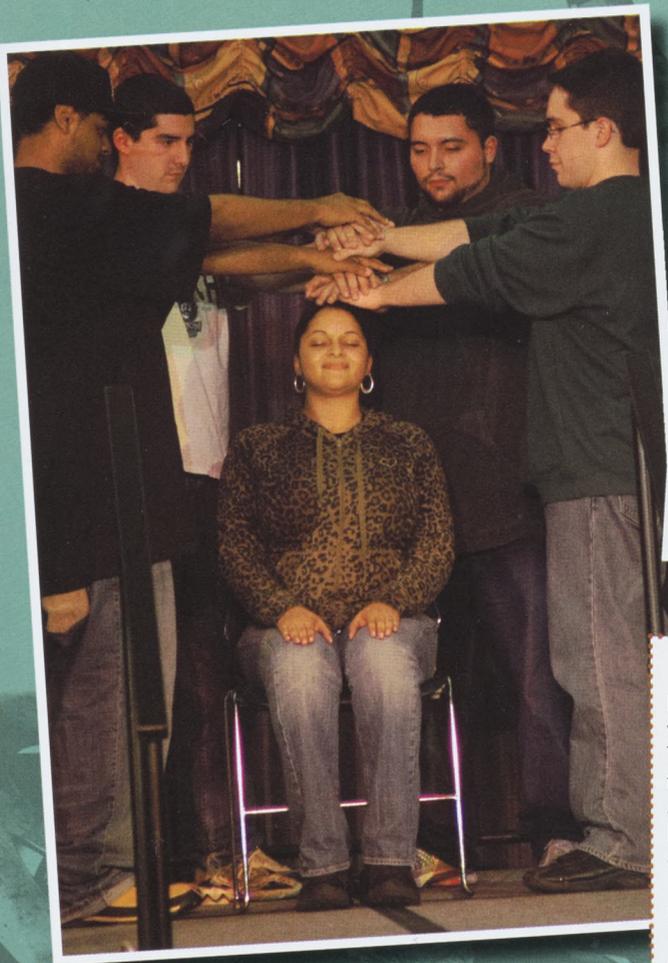
The first official event, the annual Cultural Explosion, has taken place for years, but never in conjunction with Homecoming week. The next event, the exceedingly popular Powder Puff football tournament was cancelled due to torrents of rain. SAC continued their tradition of presenting a performer with paranormal abilities on Homecoming Monday. On Tuesday ODU's finest showcased their talents in the King and Queen Pageant.

Monarchs know that it is hip to stay fit. That is why the 3-on-3-basketball tournament was such a hit. Students got hipped up for the weekend's sporting events at the Pep Rally on Thursday. Later that night, the first ever free homecoming concert was scheduled to rock the Webb Center, but was also cancelled due to inclement weather preventing the performer's flight.

Family weekend kicked off with a tailgate party and Monarchs vs. FAU. Saturday events started bright and early. At 9 am parents and students dined with President Runte before witnessing the marvels of the Parade at noon. Immediately following was the Battle of the Halls step show, and then another tailgate party before Lady Monarchs vs. Kentucky. The concluding event was a testimony to this year's theme. ODU legacies (students who have a family member who attended ODU) and their families gathered in the Convocation Center for the first Born to Be Blue reception.

□Adrienne Gainer

# mindreader



The third Homecoming event featured mind reader Tessa Evason and her husband, host Jeff Evason. Although the performance was slow getting started, the thirty-minute delay was worth the wait. Their opening act was a mind-blowing game of Sudoku where one of the audience members thought of a number and Mrs. Evason blocked a large white paper with numbers that all added up to the number he was thinking. Not only did the number go from left to right, but diagonally, in all four outer corners, and in sets of four.

Near the end of their performance, Mrs. Evason did an unsettling double negative of a girl's deceased great grandmother. Despite the crowd's disbelief, the charismatic duo encouraged enthusiastic participation. When freshmen Alexander Higdon was asked what he thought of the show, he said, "It was mind boggling! You just had to be there."

□ Janay Sullivan

# homecoming pageant

The North Cafeteria of Webb Center was transformed during Homecoming from a dining room facility into a royal vestibule, capable of housing the most noble of Old Dominion students. On November 14, the 2006 Homecoming King and Queen Pageant took center stage. To host the most fitting event for this year's theme, "Monarchs: A Royal Legacy," Student Activity Council members rearranged and redecorated North Cafeteria to create a regal environment for the crowning of ODU's Homecoming Prince, Princess, King, and Queen.

This year's judges, Lesa Clark, Sandra Adams, Amber Ivey, Jean Holt, Scott Harrison, and Amanda Kennedy, had to critique contestants during three portions of competition. First, contestants had to introduce themselves, then perform a talent, and finally maintain composure during the question and answer portion.

The ladies competing for a tiara were Carin Elizabeth Andrews, Kacie Cobb, Brittany Fields, Amanda Fulk, Tori Herb, Elise Christina Jenkins, Tiffany Ray, Elizabeth Weir, and Ashley Williams. The gentlemen competing for the crown were Joseph Brown, Matt Cutler, Gerad Colin Geeson, David Harris, and Terry Jones, Jr.

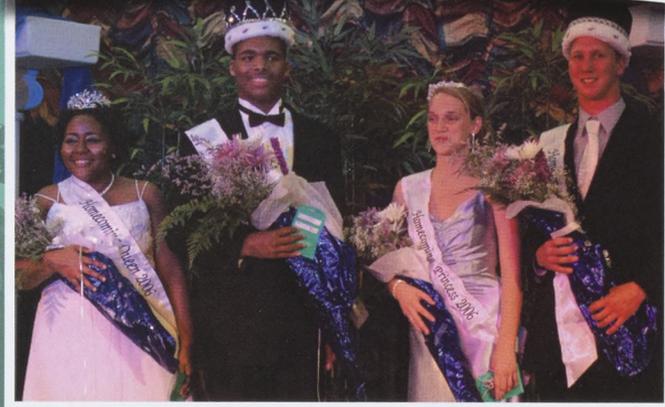
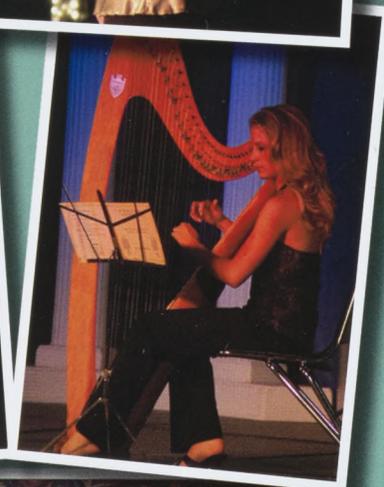
Contestants showed off talents ranging from dancing to "doodling." Some participants performed dramatic interpretations of poetry readings, and another made balloon art. Singers displayed their vocal talents in an array including a cappella versions of "Ain't Too Proud To Beg" and "Who Would Imagine A King?" "I think the talent part is the most fun part of pageants, in general," said Senior Jackie Asman. "But, this year there were more interesting talents and very entertaining. The audience was laughing and cheering people on."

During the intermission, SAC workers raffled off prizes from the ODU Bookstore as well as allowed students to take the stage in an impromptu talent show. Finally, after the judges had convened, Gerad Geeson and Amanda Fulk were crowned ODU's Homecoming Prince and Princess, and Ashley Williams and Terry Jones, Jr. were crowned King and Queen.

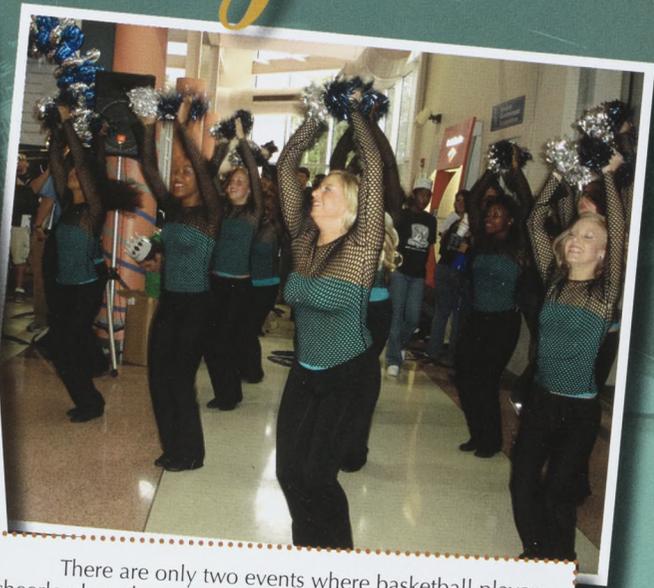
"Winning the Homecoming Pageant was a great honor to represent Old Dominion. The entire experience was rewarding and fun," said Amanda Fulk, a sophomore active in the Delta Zeta sorority and Ebony Impact Gospel Choir. "The Homecoming committee did a fantastic job of organizing the event, and it was a great pleasure to place in the pageant. I had more fun if anything else!"

The court took their sashes and crowns and carried them for a special place in Saturday's Homecoming Parade and ODU history.

□ Lauren Wicks



# pep rally



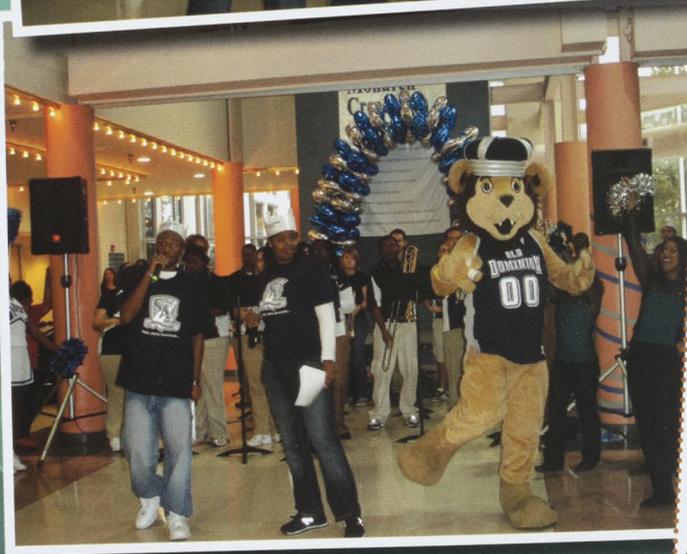
There are only two events where basketball players, cheerleaders, the pep band, the dance team, the Monarch Maniacs, and Big Blue can all be found. One of these events only happens once a year. The annual Homecoming Pep Rally enticed and motivated students in the Webb Center to get excited about the upcoming basketball games and the remaining Homecoming festivities.

During activity hour on Thursday, students gathered in front of the bookstore as the basketball coach introduced the players. Then the pep-band played lively tunes as the dance team and the cheerleaders performed. Big Blue even danced a jig! After that, the hosts of the Pep Rally, the Student Ambassadors, led students in several spirited chants and cheering. Throughout the rally, Student ambassadors passed out chocolate, mini megaphones, and crowns to students to aid them in exhibiting their enthusiasm.

"Pep rallies are my favorite part of Homecoming," said Junior Tiffany Johnson. "They take me back to my high school cheerleading days!" Tiffany has been to every pep rally while she has been attending ODU. "If there were more of 'em, I'd be at 'em. I love all the free stuff."

Even though the crowd was small, those who were there exhibited their excitement for ODU sports and Homecoming week.

□Adrienne Gainer



# homecoming parade



There were castles and crowns and hundreds of students adding last minute paint touch ups in Parking Lot 27 Saturday morning. For the end of a tremendous Homecoming week, dozens of student organizations created floats of every shape and size to take part in ODU's annual Homecoming Parade.

In the early morning hours, students began bringing in their flat bed trucks and rented platforms to set up the results of the hard work of the previous week. At noon, the parade kicked off, and the first float turned out of the parking lot and headed down 49th Street.

"I think that the best part of the parade was when everyone was lined up in the parking lot," said Sarah Cloud, a member of Delta Zeta Sorority. "We were all there for one reason, and you could really feel the school's unity."

As usual, police shut down Hampton Boulevard, and the parade took its traditional loop down 49th Street, turning right unto Killam Avenue and turning left unto Monarch Way. The parade temporarily stopped at this point for the judges' station to see each of the entries. From there, the floats turned onto 47th Street and crossed over Hampton Boulevard again to return to Parking Lot 27.

Throughout the parade's course, floats and entries played music, passed out candy, and waved at friends, family, and ODU alumni that came out to support the school.

"It is a lot of fun; it is cool to see everybody out there," said sophomore Christine Cook. "It shows school spirit, and it is a tradition that I want to see kept throughout my alumni years."

This year, ODU students were not the only ones taking part in the Homecoming Parade. Community groups and local businesses had entries in the parade as well as by sponsoring floats for students.

For the float competition, fraternity Pi Kappa Alpha and sorority Alpha Xi Delta won first place. Second place went to fraternity Theta Chi and sorority Zeta Tau Alpha, and third place went to the Indian Student Association.

□ Lauren Wicks

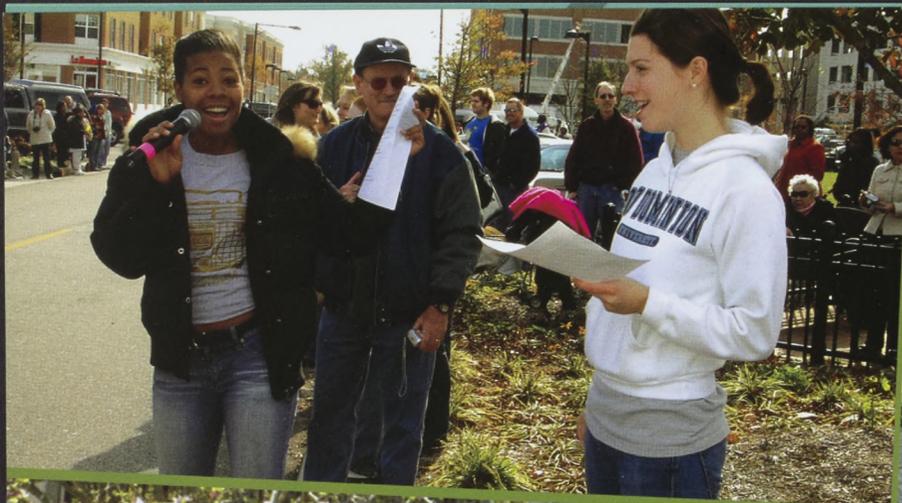


# family weekend

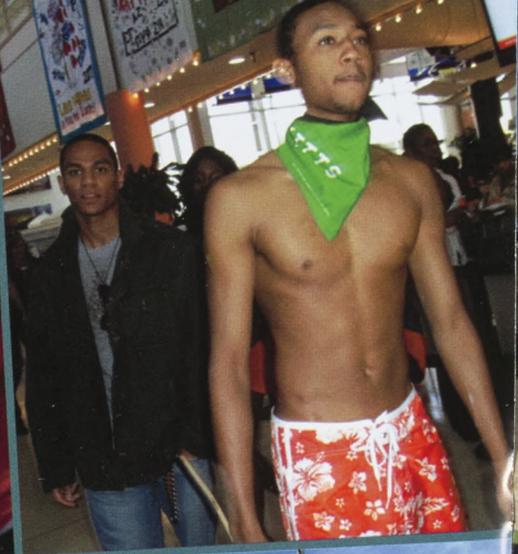
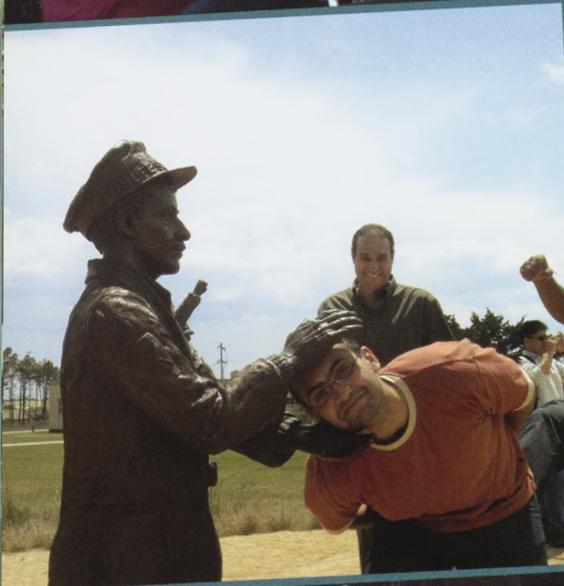
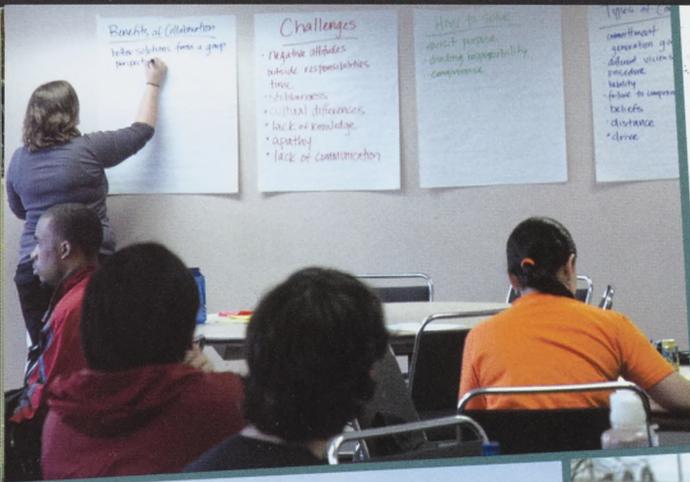


Once a year parents and siblings are invited to spend a few days at ODU. At the end of Homecoming week the annual Family Weekend provides families with an exciting glimpse of college life. Family Weekend began with the Pre-Game Tailgate Party before the Monarchs vs. Florida Atlantic University basketball game. The next event, Saturday morning, was the President's Breakfast during which parents got a chance to meet and chat with President Runte. After that families gathered on Monarch Way to watch the Homecoming Parade. Later on that night families socialized at another Pre-Game Tailgate Party followed by Lady Monarchs vs. University of Kentucky. The final event for this Jam Packed Family Weekend was the first ever Born to be Blue Legacy Reception.

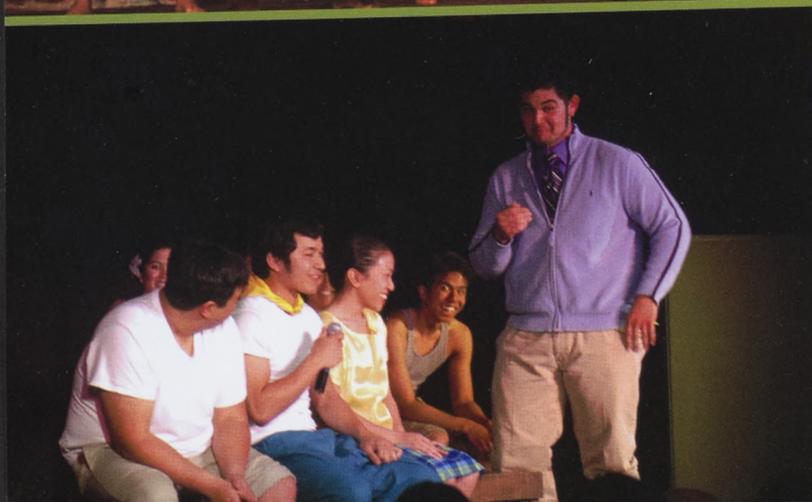
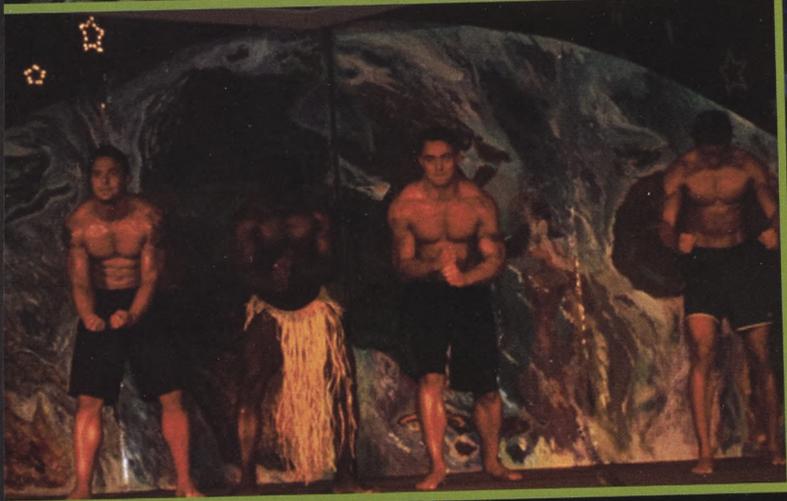
□ Adrienne Gainer













# SPORTS

# MEN'S BASKETBALL



**Name:** Abdi "Junior" Lidonde  
**Classification:** Junior  
**Major/Minor:** English/ Political Science  
**Place of Birth:** Worcester, MA

**Hobbies and Interests:** Watching the wire, sleeping, playing videogames  
**Favorite Food:** Whatever my mom makes  
**Favorite Movie:** Juice

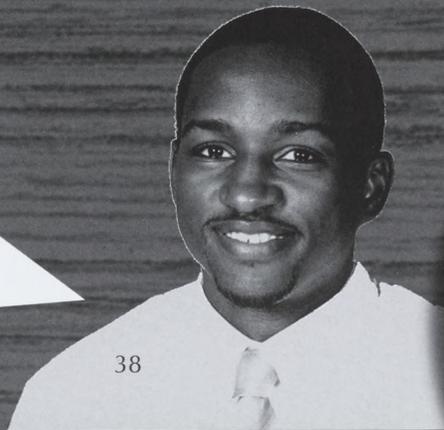
**What is your best memory?** Beating Georgetown

**What is your most embarrassing moment while playing sports at ODU?** N/A

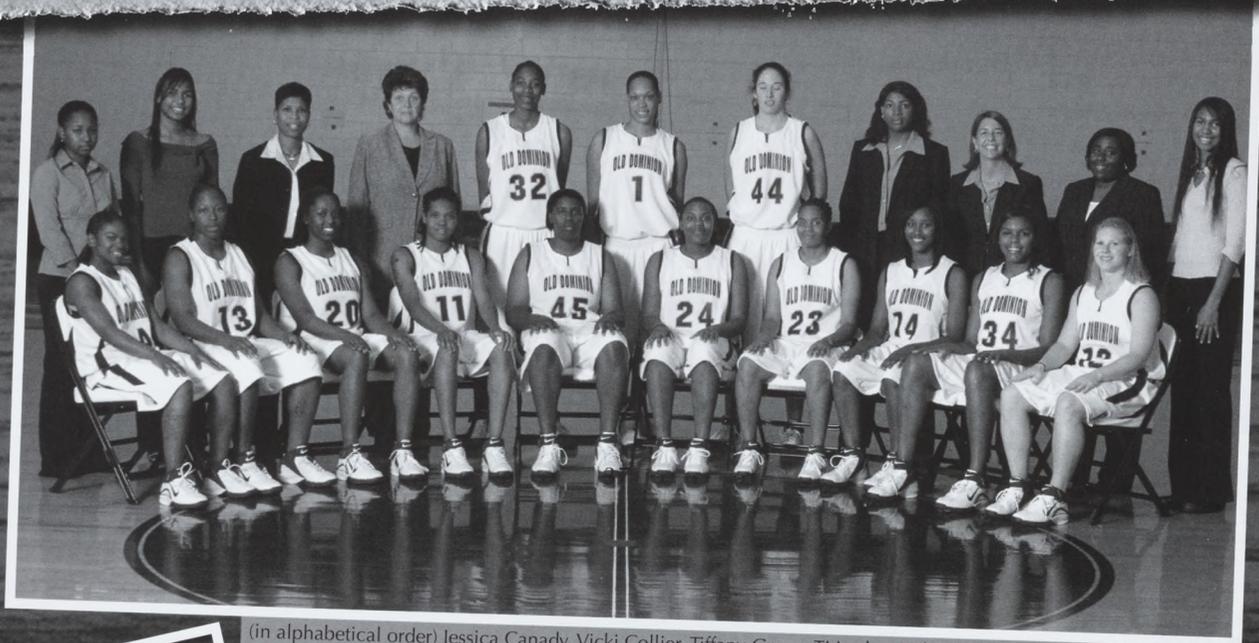
**What professional athlete do you look up to and why?** Gilbert Arenas, because I have gone through some of the same things he did growing up playing ball.

**Do you hope to play professional sports after college?** If I can get a chance to play I would love to.

(in alphabetical order) Jonathan Adams, Keyon Carter, Arnaud Dahl, Sam Harris, Frank Hassell, Brian Henderson, Brandon Johnson, Gerald Lee, Abdi Lidonde, John Morris, Marsharee Neely, Joshua Russell, Valdas Vasyliua, Drew Willimason  
**Head Coach:** Blaine Taylor  
**Assistant Coaches:** Jim Corrigan, Robert Wilkes, Travis DeCuire  
**Director of Basketball Operations:** John Richardsaon



# WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



(in alphabetical order) Jessica Canady, Vicki Collier, Tiffany Green, TJ Jordan, Tish Lyons, Jen Nuzzo, Megan Pym, Tamara Ransburg, Sherida Triggs, Jazzmin Walters, Shahida Williams, Shantel Wilson  
Head Coach: Wendy Larry  
Assistant Coaches: Nikita Lowry Dawkins, Karen Barefoot, Marie Christian  
Director of Basketball Operations: Rene Rice



# MEN'S SOCCER



**Name:** David Horst  
**Classification:** Junior  
**Major/Minor:** Civil Engineering  
**Place of Birth:** Hershey, Pennsylvania

**Hobbies and Interests:** Soccer, Basketball, watching  
**Favorite Food:** Steak  
**Favorite Movie:** Gladiator

**What is your best memory?** Beating UNC and moving onto the sweet sixteen.

**What is your most embarrassing moment while playing sports at ODU?** As a freshman, I forgot to grab the jerseys for that day's game and we had to turn around to go back and get them.

**What professional athlete do you look up to and why?** Michael Jordan because he was a respectable and classy winner.

**Do you hope to play professional sports after college?** Yes I do, either the MLS or overseas in Europe.

(in alphabetical order) Trevor Banks, Pambos Demetriades, Edson, Elcock, Ambane Emmanuel, Bobby Foglesong, Aaron Good, David Horst, Nane Joseph, Jared Kent, Zachary Kinney, A.J. Kulp, Jason Loizou, Ross Mackenzie, Justin Monroe, Dylan Montambo, Gregg Mottinger, Evan Newton, Amir Shihata, Sean Sigrist, Alex Silver, Justin Vaughter, Zachary Waters, Yomby William  
Head Coach: Alan Dawson  
Assistant Coaches: Mark Waite, Daniel Alvarez  
Volunteer Assistant: Ryan Sniegowski



# WOMEN'S SOCCER



(in alphabetical order) Rita Wilson, Colby Owen, Chika Umejei, Heather Jones, Marilee mastaler, Tracy Donachie, Janna Pearson, Jenni Purdum, Elizabeth Brewster, Katie Watson, Lisa McKenzie, Jodi Knorowski, Beth Messier, Caroline Plank, Kirstin Walker, Brittney Kortz, Dani Hammer, Shavon Knight, Kristina Ray, Brittany Ransom, Saratu Dodo, Samantha Brennan, Heather Vaughan, Caroline Brown, Lauren Tupman  
 Head Coach: Joe Pereira,  
 Assistant Coaches: Kimberly Francis, Carter Jordan

**Name:** Katie Watson  
**Classification:** Junior  
**Major/Minor:** Sports Marketing  
**Place of Birth:** Portsmouth, Virginia

**Hobbies and Interests:** Music and hanging out with friends.  
**Favorite Food:** Pizza  
**Favorite Movie:** London

**What is your best memory?**  
 Winning the CAA Championship.

**What is your most embarrassing moment while playing sports at ODU?** On an away trip I accidentally locked myself out of the room when I was in just a towel.

**What professional athlete do you look up to and why?** Terry Henry, because he is talented and a hard worker.

**Do you hope to play professional sports after college?** Yes, if the league comes back.



# MEN'S SWIMMING



**Name:** Ryan Tinney  
**Classification:** Senior  
**Major/Minor:** Business Marketing/  
Communications  
**Place of Birth:** Rochester, New  
York

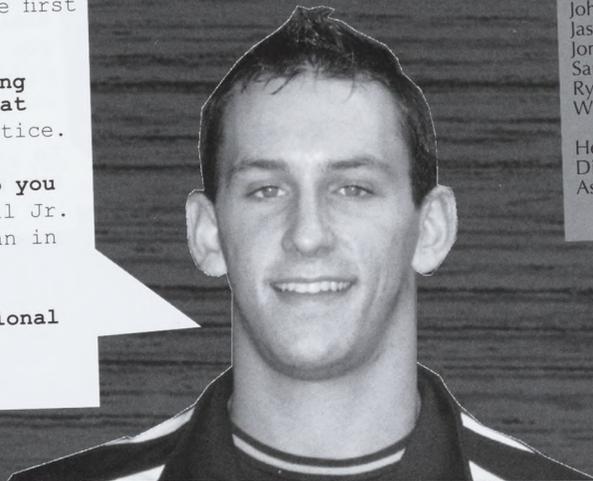
**Hobbies and Interests:** Jazz music,  
Christian Bale movies  
**Favorite Food:** Macaroni and cheese  
**Favorite Movie:** Trainspotting

**What is your best memory?** The first  
time I made Finals in CAA

**What is your most embarrassing  
moment while playing sports at  
ODU?** Losing to girls in practice.

**What professional athlete do you  
look up to and why?** Gary Hall Jr.  
because he is the fastest man in  
the world.

**Do you hope to play professional  
sports after college?** No.  
Gracefully retiring.



Men and Women's Team Roster (in alphabetical order)

BeBe Abraham, Patrik Balint, Bonnie Brezinsky, Lauren Cook, Michael DeNise, Amy Deschler, Jordan Ephraim, Daniel Gallagher, Chad Gangwer, Christina Gianni, Elizabeth Hassell, Tyler Haverty, Amy Hoffman, Kendra Hogg, Austin Howe, Diana Hurst, Brandon Keck, Blayne Knapp, Scott Kommer, Kevin Latimer, Daniel Lundberg, Johan Lundberg, Maury Mathis, Elizaveta Moiseeva, Jasmine Moore, Laura Murphy Kelli North, Garrett Opp, Jon Panettieri, C.J. Pegram, Jennifer Pegram, Jennifer Sargent, Emily Smidlein, Peter Stickl, Lauren Timby, Ryan Tinney, Kirk Weldon, Scott Weldon, Meaghan Whatley, Brad Worrell, Kurtis Wright

Head Coach: Carol Withus  
Diving Coach: Todd Kolean  
Assistant Coaches: Brian Julich, Nathan Tschohl



# WOMEN'S SWIMMING



**Name:** Diana Hurst  
**Classification:** Junior  
**Major/Minor:** Psychology/sports Management  
**Place of Birth:** Newport News, VA  
**Hobbies and Interests:** My family and friends.  
**Favorite Food:** Green peas and mashed potatoes.  
**Favorite Movie:** Talladega Nights

**What is your best memory?** Winning the 1650 at CAAs.

**What is your most embarrassing moment while playing sports at ODU?** I broke my nose swimming into a wall.

**What professional athlete do you look up to and why?** Lance Armstrong is the best in his sport and a survivor of cancer.

**Do you hope to play professional sports after college?** I am going to try my luck in open water distance swimming.



# WOMEN'S SAILING

**Name:** Cara Disanti  
**Classification:** Senior  
**Major/Minor:** Civil Engineering Technology  
**Place of Birth:** Glen Cove, NY

**Hobbies and Interests:** Hanging out with friends, snowboarding, music  
**Favorite Food:** Sushi  
**Favorite Movie:** Biodome

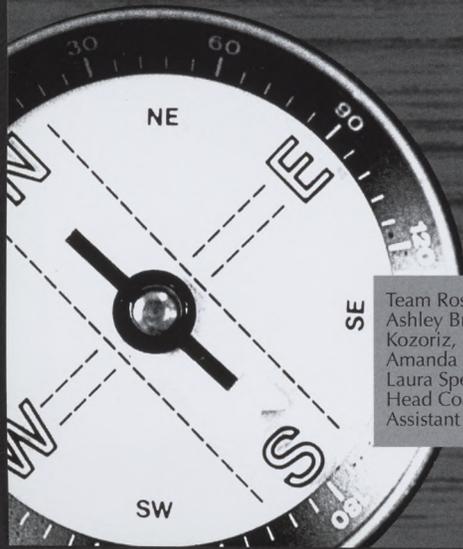
**What is your best memory?** Qualifying for single loaded nationals.

**What professional athlete do you look up to and why?** Anna Tunnicliffe because she works extremely hard.

**Do you hope to play professional sports after college?** Possibly.



Team Roster: Jennifer Adams, Elyssa Albert, Alan Alkins, Alissa Ayres, Mark Birkmeier, Jane Bleakney, Michael Brown, Ashley Brusso, Michael Collins, Cara DiSanti, Gillen Elder, Michalis Eleftheriou, Jaclyn Finney, Caitlyn Houck, Ryan Kozoriz, Robert Kushner, Amanda Martin, Jillian Martin, Sonya Mendoza Bobby Noonan, Thomas O'Bryan, Bryan Otis, Amanda Rendall, Kyle Rogachenko, Jenica Ryan, Wade Schon, Lisa Shapiro, John Shockey, Kevin Shockey, Wick Smith, Laura Speas, Wilson Stout, David Tunnicliffe, Stephen Waters, Katrina Williams  
Head Coach: Mitch Bradley  
Assistant Coach: Samantha Ficksman



# MEN'S SAILING



**Name:** David Tunnicliffe  
**Classification:** Senior  
**Major/Minor:** Management/decision science, Minor: music performance  
**Place of Birth:** Doncaster, England

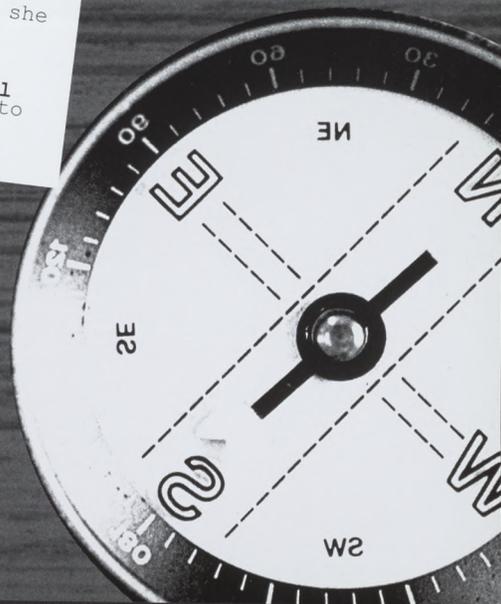
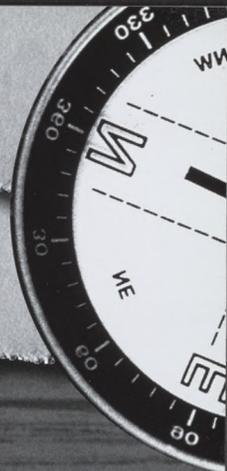
**Hobbies and Interests:** Sailing, windsurfing, running, cycling  
**Favorite Food:** Burgers and mash  
**Favorite Movie:** Monty Python and the search for the Holy Grail

**What is your best memory?** Traveling with the team.

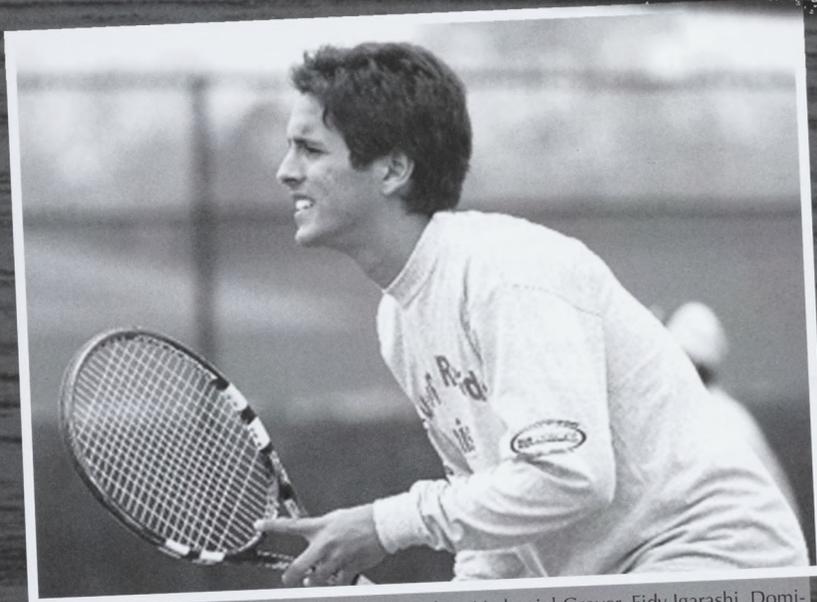
**What is your most embarrassing moment while playing sports at ODU?** Falling-out of the boat during regatta

**What professional athlete do you look up to and why?** Ellen Macarthur- she was very young when she started sailing around the world. Critics doubted her and she over came them by winning many races

**Do you hope to play professional sports after college?** No, plan to coach professionally.



# MEN'S TENNIS



Team Roster: Henrique Cancado, Yahov Dishin, Nathaniel Grover, Eidy Igarashi, Dominic Manilla, Daniel Pabon Aleksandr Seleznev, Rodrigo Souza, Harel Srugo

Head Coach: Darryl Cummings  
Assistant Coach: Eric Christiansen

**Name:** Henrique Sousa Lopes Cancado  
**Classification:** Senior  
**Major/Minor:** Information Technology  
**Place of Birth:** Belo Herizowte

**Hobbies and Interests:** Music, cookery, extreme sports, traveling, tennis, soccer

**Favorite Food:** Seafood

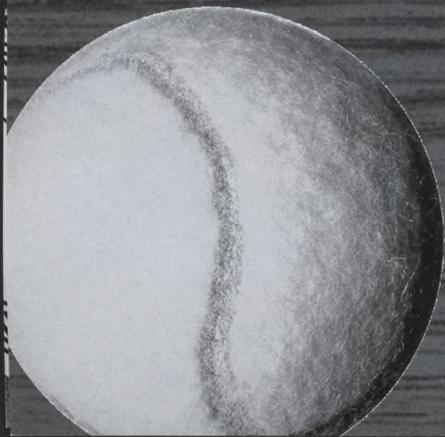
**Favorite Movie:** Good question (not a movie title)

**What is your best memory?** Winning four doubles matches in one day to win the all Americans back draw.

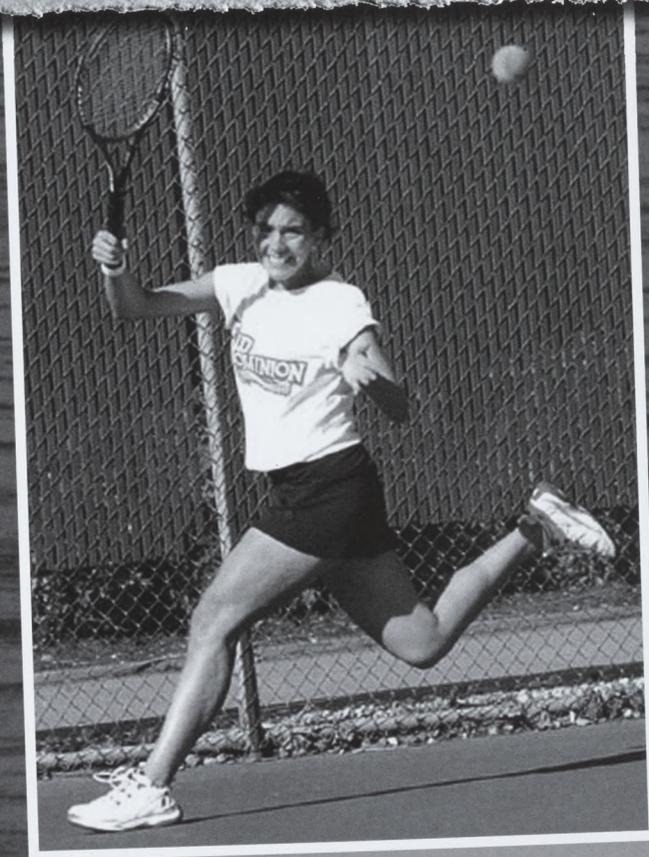
**What is your most embarrassing moment while playing sports at ODU?** I had to use the bathroom four times during a eight game doubles match (finals of the consolation -all American 2006-07) Srugo got mad because I was never there to discuss strategy during change overs.

**What professional athlete do you look up to and why?** Gustavo Kuerten because of his devotion to tennis and his mental toughness.

**Do you hope to play professional sports after college?** No.



# WOMEN'S TENNIS



Team Roster: Daniela Cohen, Barbara Costa, Linda Garder, Charleen Haarhoff, Jana Kubickova, Fernanda Luiz, Larissa Santos  
Head Coach: Darryl Cummings  
Assistant Coach: Eric Christiansen

**Name:** Fernanda Luiz  
**Classification:** Senior  
**Major/Minor:** Health and physical education-minor psychology  
**Place of Birth:** Belo Horizonte, Brazil

**Hobbies and Interests:** Coaching, working with sport, hobbies: movies, traveling, hanging out with friends and family  
**Favorite Food:** Brazilian food, Barbecue/Italian  
**Favorite Movie:** The Pursuit of Happiness

**What is your best memory?** Playing in California (LA) with my doubles partner.

**What is your most embarrassing moment while playing sports at ODU?** Getting point penalties for miss behaving.

**What professional athlete do you look up to and why?** Lance Armstrong for pushing through cancer and still being a top athlete.

**Do you hope to play professional sports after college?** No.



# MEN'S GOLF



**Name:** Estanislao Guerrero  
**Classification:** 2008  
**Major/Minor:** Finance/Economics  
**Place of Birth:** Mexico City, Mexico

**Hobbies and Interests:** Golf and soccer

**Favorite Food:** Mexican  
**Favorite Movie:** The Bourne Identity

**What is your best memory?** Winning the Agee invitational as a team this last fall.

**What is your most embarrassing moment while playing sports at ODU?** I got disqualified at a college tournament for not having two signatures on my score card.

**What professional athlete do you look up to and why?** Tiger, it's obvious! Because of his determination and discipline.

**Do you hope to play professional sports after college?** Yes, PGA tour first Mexican to win the masters!

(in alphabetical order) Christopher Barach, Brandon Detweiler, Stan Guerrero, Kyle Hartlaub, Jeffrey Long, John Murphy, Eric Onesi, Matthew Rendell, Matthew Watson  
Head Coach: Murray Rudisill



# WOMEN'S GOLF



(in alphabetical order) Meredith Badali, Ashley Davis, Rashelle Fetty, Alexis Garduno, Laura Holmes, Deztaany Jackson, Amanda Moore, Bailey Mosier, Samantha Mosko, Meghan Schaefer  
Head Coach: Pat Kotten

**Name:** Ashley Davis  
**Classification:** Senior  
**Major/Minor:** Communications/Journalism  
**Place of Birth:** Toronto, Ontario Canada

**Hobbies and Interests:** Anything sports related of traveling.

**Favorite Food:** There's nothing like great curry.

**Favorite Movie:** Glory Road, Tommy Boy, and Remember the Titans

**What is your best memory?** Winning our first tournament at home and also taking individual honors.

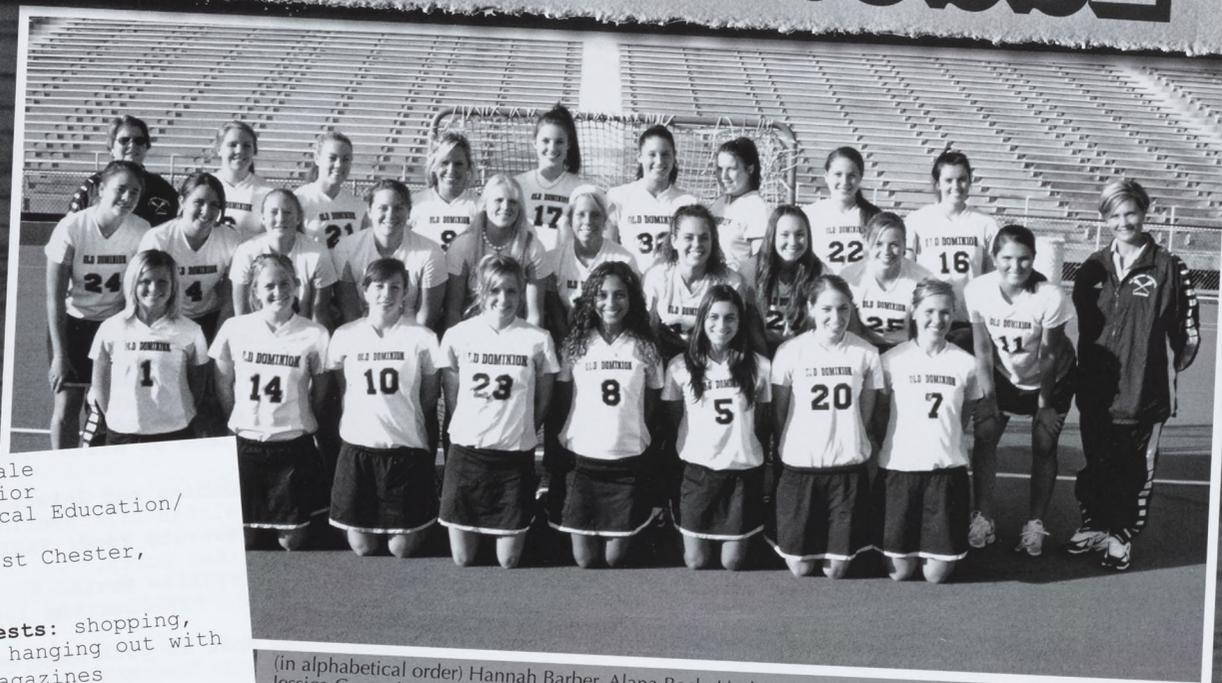
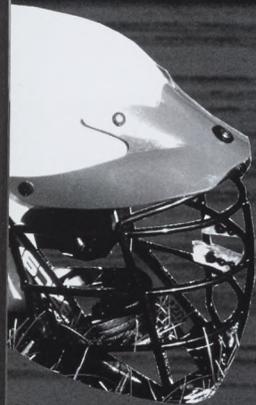
**What is your most embarrassing moment while playing sports at ODU?** Falling off the exercise ball in weight training in front of the whole tennis team.

**What professional athlete do you look up to and why?** I know this may be cliché because these two are the best but I look up to the hardest working golfers and it just happens that Tiger Woods and Annika Sorenstam are them. They are dedicated and determined to be better everyday and this gives me something to strive for.

**Do you hope to play professional sports after college?** You Bet!



# WOMEN'S LACROSSE



**Name:** Katie Venezia  
**Classification:** Senior  
**Major/Minor:** Physical Education/  
Health  
**Place of Birth:** West Chester,  
Pennsylvania

**Hobbies and Interests:** shopping,  
college football, hanging out with  
friends, gossip magazines

**Favorite Food:** Salad

**Favorite Movie:** Pretty Woman

**What is your best memory?** Beating  
the top twenty opponents.

**What is your most embarrassing  
moment while playing sports at ODU?**  
got hit while playing intramural  
dodge ball.

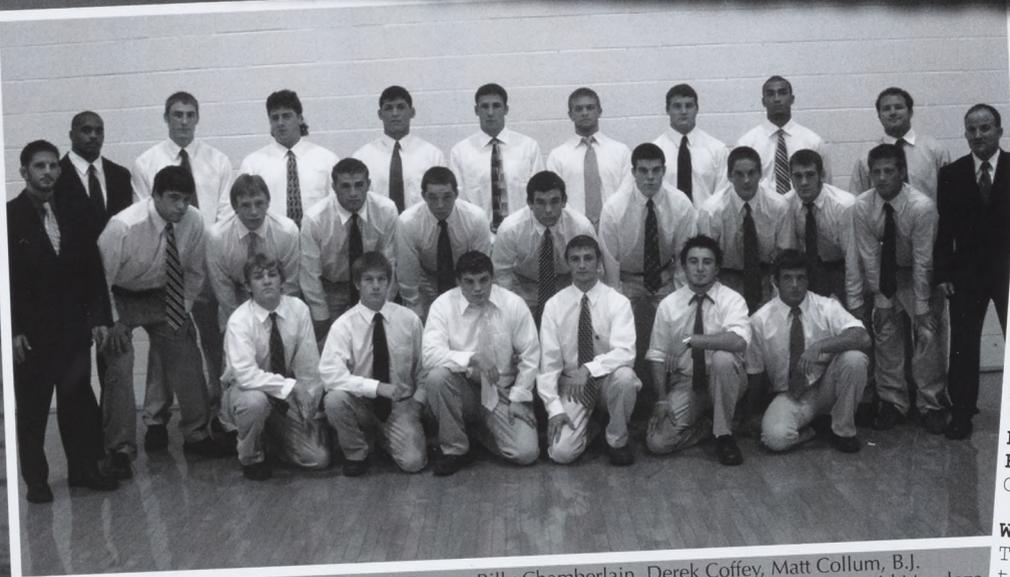
**What professional athlete do you  
look up to and why?** Michael Jordan-  
because he's the best athlete ever,  
and he never gave up.

**Do you hope to play professional  
sports after college?** There are  
no opportunities for professional  
Women's Lacrosse.

(in alphabetical order) Hannah Barber, Alana Beck, Lindsey Belle, Jacqueline Brown, Katherine Bruno, Jessica Capra, Jacquelyn Duggins, Erica Erb, D'Ana Goodfellow, Danielle Haley, Caroline Jacobs, Ashley Kellogg, Kelly Kimener, Sara Larson, Jordan McKeon, Nicole McMahon, Jessica Noone, Sigrid Paulus, Erica Peterson, Karen Rudderow, Kaelyn Schival, Ashley Stanwick, Jillian Taylor, Whiney Thomas, Kristen Truax, Katie Venezia, Brittany Washko  
**Head Coach:** Sue Stahl  
**Assistant Coach:** Heather Holt



# WRESTLING



(in alphabetical order) Kaylen Baxter, Chris Brown, Billy Chamberlain, Derek Coffey, Matt Collum, B.J. Compton, Selas Douglas, Kyle Hutter, Jeff Jacobs, Adam Koballa, Bryan Koz, Michael Martin, David Mendoza, Joey Metzler, James Nicholson, Kyle Pardun, Matt Pellar, Nick Pullano, Dan Rivera, Christian Staylor, Jesse Strawn, Josh Tyler, Cam Watkins, Ryan Williams  
Head Coach: Steve Martin  
Assistant Coaches: Lee Pritts, Mike Dixon  
Volunteer Assistant Coach: Jon Storedas



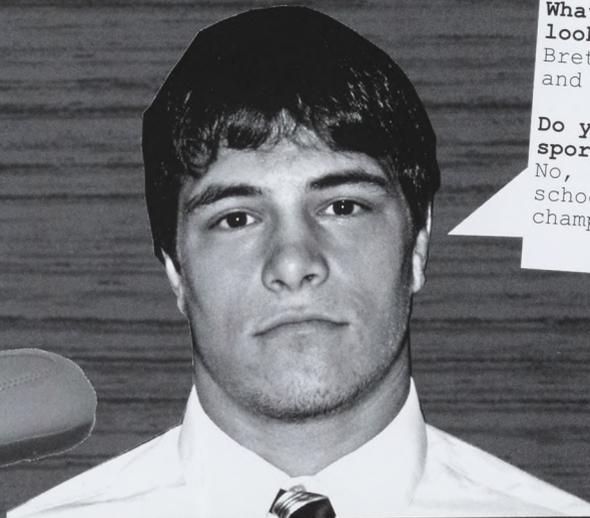
**Name:** Nick Pullano  
**Classification:** Junior  
**Major/Minor:** Psychology  
**Place of Birth:** Chicago, Ill  
**Hobbies and Interests:** Working out, hanging out with my teammates, "walnuts"  
**Favorite Food:** Italian  
**Favorite Movie:** The Godfather, Goodfellas and the Departed

**What is your best memory?**  
The team battling back to place at the Virginia Duals

**What is your most embarrassing moment while playing sports at ODU?**  
"Pullano, we're going to start calling you chipper."

**What professional athlete do you look up to and why?**  
Brett Favre because of his toughness and love of his sport

**Do you hope to play professional sports after college?**  
No, I plan to coach at the high school level and built a state championship program.



# FIELD HOCKEY



(in alphabetical order) Jo Ann van Aswegen, Lara Meyer, Daphne Admiraal, Nocollen van Nispen, Sami McLenagan, Anna Rogers, Julia Muldrow, Darcy Pinchbeck, Katie Ueberroth, Whitney Tossone, Alyschia Conn, Denise Admiraal, Dana Sensenig, Kathleen Shea, Titia Beek Shannon Mobley, Anna Kern, Caroline Nickols, Courtney Seiders, Kelly Driscoll, Katelyn Smither, Hanna Warren  
 Head Coach: Beth Anders  
 Assistant Coaches: Susan Myers, Gwen Alexander  
 Volunteer Assistant Coach: Robin Smith

**Name:** Darcy Pinchbeck  
**Classification:** Senior  
**Major/Minor:** Sports Management.  
**Place of Birth:** Suffolk, Virginia

**Hobbies and Interests:** Playing sports and being around friends and family

**Favorite Food:** Anything chicken  
**Favorite Movie:** The Notebook

**What is your best memory?** After the game was delayed because of a rain downfall and the field was flooded, we played under the lights while it was still raining. My team played our best game that night scoring ten goals. And I had a hat trick (3 goals).

**What is your most embarrassing moment while playing sports at ODU?** Shooting at a wide-open cage with no goalie and missing!

**What professional athlete do you look up to and why?** Michael Jordan, because of his hard work, ethic and good sportsmanship, and of course talent.

**Do you hope to play professional sports after college?** No.



# MEN'S BASEBALL



**Name:** Hunter Hall  
**Classification:** Senior  
**Major/Minor:** Sports Management/ Marketing  
**Place of Birth:** Norfolk, Virginia

**Hobbies and Interests:** Baseball, Music  
**Favorite Food:** Mexican  
**Favorite Movie:** Wedding Crashers

**What is your best memory?** 18 game winning streak

**What is your most embarrassing moment while playing sports at ODU?** Tripping over shoelaces during a game.

**What professional athlete do you look up to and why?** N/A

**Do you hope to play professional sports after college? If I have the opportunity.**

Team Roster: Tyler Belcher, Ryan Bergh, Brady Burchill, David Burns, Chris Buss, Dexter Carter, Bryan Cipolla, Nick Erdman, Ross Fetterly, Gerard Hall, Hunter Hall, Adam Hodge, Dan Hudson, Joseph Johannes, Chris Keenan, John Malbon, Jake McAloose, Jimmy Miles, Cameron Scott, Anthony Shawler, Brooks Sinnen, Cory Toth, Joe Velleggia, David Wagner, Matt Walls, Robble Watkins, Mike Zahn  
Head Coach: Jerry Meyers  
Assistant Coaches: Ryan Morris, Nate Goulet  
Volunteer Assistant Coach: Thomas Seay



# COMING SOON!

# FOOTBALL

Fall 2009

On a crisp Monday afternoon, ODU ended its lengthy search and officially introduced Bobby Wilder as the new head football coach, the universities first since 1940.

Wilder was the offensive coordinator and associate head coach for the University of Maine, spending the past 17-years with the program. He heard about the formation of the new football program at ODU from friends and became intrigued immediately. "Everybody I heard from about this program and what it offered told me that it could be top-10," said Wilder.

Wilder talked about the three keys to success in college football which included, "outstanding support from the President, an athletic administration that is willing to work with you, and a student body that's excited about what you're going to do, and here at Old Dominion, I believe I've found all three of those things."

Old Dominion created a six-member search committee in order to find a head football coach and there were close to 80 candidates competing with Wilder for the position.

ODU President Roseann Runte said, "Mr. Wilder's ethical approach to athletics and his philosophy, which includes a strong emphasis on academic achievement, combine with a congenial personality for a commitment to team-building and successful competition."

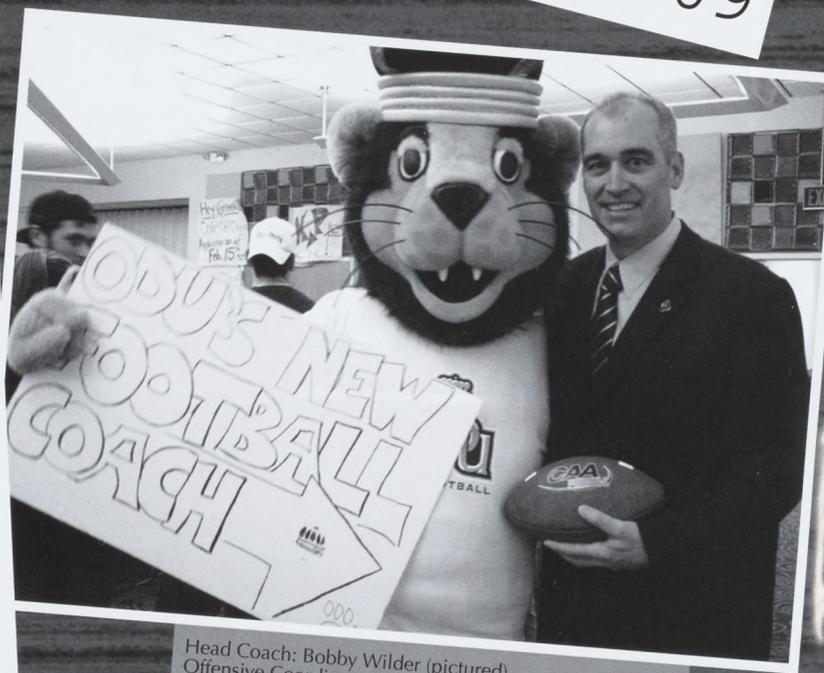
During the press conference, Wilder was asked what coaching style and philosophy he will try to implement. He replied, "I consider myself to be a motivator. I expect to recruit the best people, the best students, and the best athletes."

On the topic of playing style Wilder said, "We will play a fun, aggressive style. I can promise you people will be excited about what we do offensively and on special teams. Defensively, we will have an aggressive, attacking style of defense."

When asked about recruiting, Wilder boldly proclaimed that Virginia will be his "primary interest." Regarding ODU's first recruiting class Wilder said, "The initial class we bring in here will be signed February 6, 2008." He immediately injected, "but recruiting has already started. We're competing right away with some of our neighbors here in William & Mary, Richmond, and James Madison in recruiting." Old Dominion's football team won't begin play until the fall of 2009, but hiring Wilder gives the University a face for the program and enables him to have a tremendous influence on all aspects of the football program in its early development from uniforms to the aforementioned construction and re-design of Foreman field.

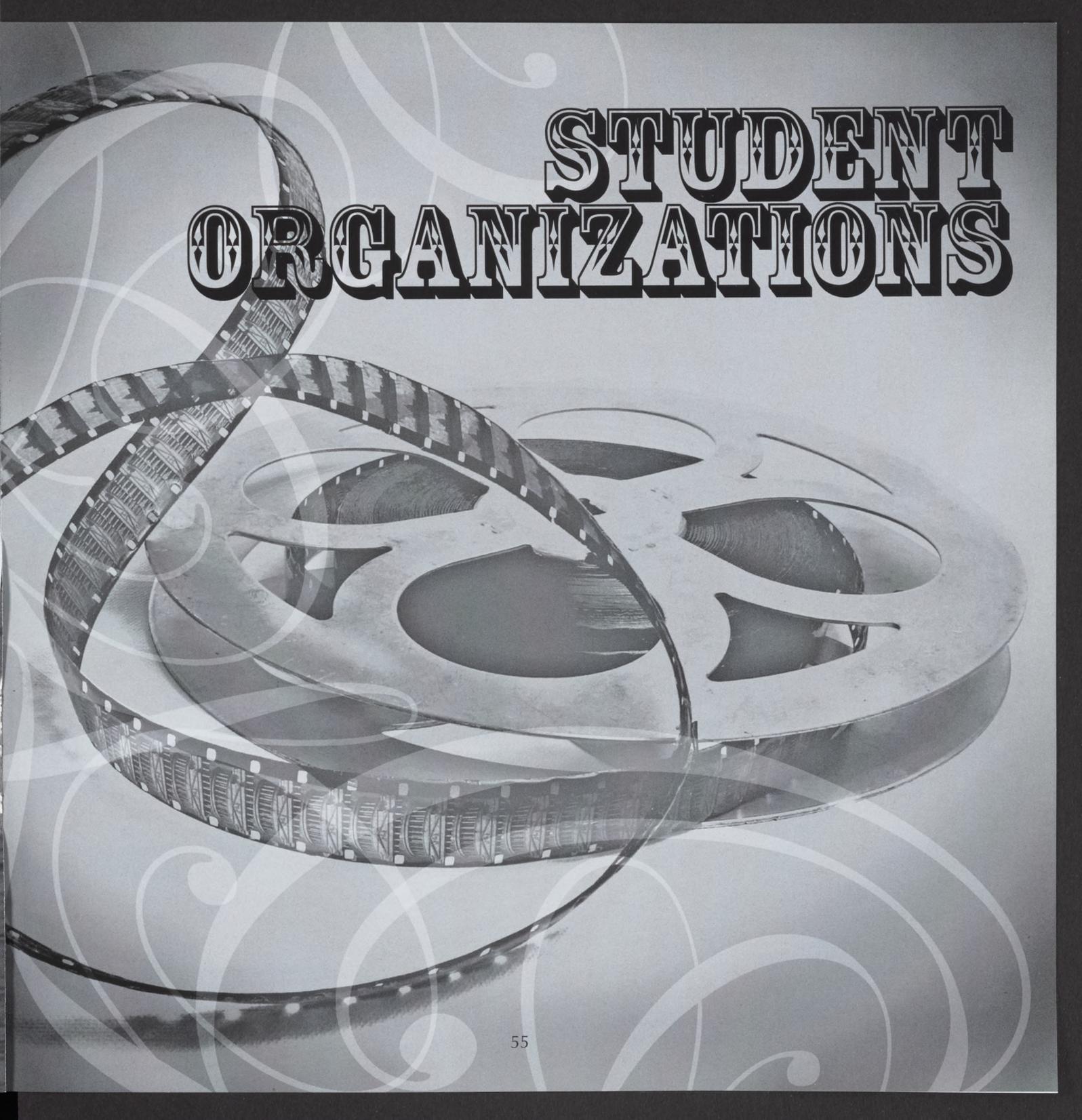
The new football program remains in its infancy, so Bobby Wilder certainly has plenty of work to do. Though, it appears he's up for the challenge as he eagerly stated, "I'm excited and can't wait to get started."

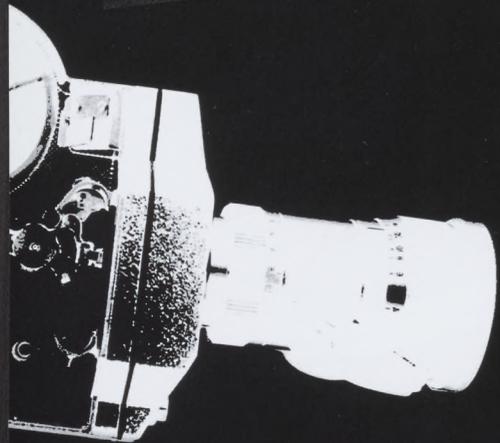
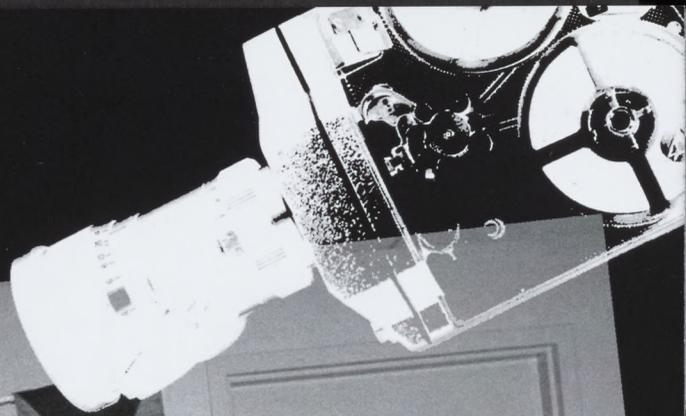
□ Patrick J. Austin



Head Coach: Bobby Wilder (pictured)  
Offensive Coordinator: Brian Scott  
Defensive Coordinator: Andy Rondeau  
Assistant Head Coach/Recruiting Coordinator: Chip West

# STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS





# African Caribbean Association

Recognized as an organization in the spring of 2001, ACA has grown dramatically. In five years ACA became one of ODU's top 15 organizations encompassing representatives from over 30 countries from Africa, the Caribbean, the USA and Europe. Contrary to the name, ACA is open to all students who are interested in the African & Caribbean cultures. ACA is dedicated to strengthening the diversity and raising public awareness of issues regarding Africa and the Caribbean. In October 2006, ACA was invited to the College of William and Mary for the invisible children awareness event in which ACA's Vice President, Mohamed Seifeldein, delivered an emotionally charged speech regarding the crisis in Darfur (Sudan). Continuing its tradition in ODU, ACA performed twice during the "House Party" and is participating in every homecoming event including the basketball tournament, community care day(s), ACA awareness week, and Webb Jams. ACA believes that "Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today." Members of ACA are excited and welcome all who are interested to contact them. "Let us stand as one!"

□ Mohamed Seifeldein  
Vice President

# ALPHA EPSILON DELTA



Alpha Epsilon Delta is a National Health Pre-Professional Honor Society dedicated to the encouragement and recognition of excellence in pre-professional health scholarship, including medicine, dentistry, veterinary, pharmacy, and others. The organization is open to all ODU students and offers national accreditation to those who meet the minimum requirements. Alpha Epsilon Delta is affiliated with the American Association for the Advancement of Science and is a member of the Association of College Honor Societies.

AED holds great and informative meetings. The club has hosted fascinating guest speakers including deans of medical, pharmaceutical, and dental schools. AED is a resource in reference to the process of getting accepted into different health programs and professional schools, and they work in conjunction with the Pre-Health Advisory Committee. Some activities AED took part in this year were: Freshman Debut/Preview, the Rock 'n Roll Half Marathon of Virginia Beach, Cultural Exploration, Red Cross Blood Drives, and Leukemia and Lymphoma Society fundraising.

# Alpha Kappa Psi



Alpha Kappa Psi is a co-ed professional business fraternity sponsored by the College of Business and Public Administration. The brothers of Alpha Kappa Psi believe that they have an exciting and rewarding experience to offer students of all majors. They are a professional business fraternity, not a club, which facilitates an atmosphere for its members to form close bonds with one another. This brotherhood creates friendships that will last well beyond college years.

Friendships, brotherhood, networking, fellowship, insight; these are among some of the many key components of being a member of the Epsilon Lambda Chapter of Alpha Kappa Psi.

□ Na'Tasha Pritchett

# Alpha Xi Delta



The dream that ten women held at Lombard College in Galesburg, Illinois became a reality on April 17th, 1893. They dreamed of a women's organization that would enrich the lives of all women, and help them grow personally through friendship, scholarship, and civic duty. Over one hundred years later, the Alpha Xi Delta sorority continues to flourish based on the ideals that their founders left. These ideals taught the sisters of Alpha Xi Delta the value of a good education, and how it enables them to achieve their dreams in life. The founders taught how to be there for sisters when they need a helping hand. Most of all, they have taught how to help others, and give back to the less fortunate.

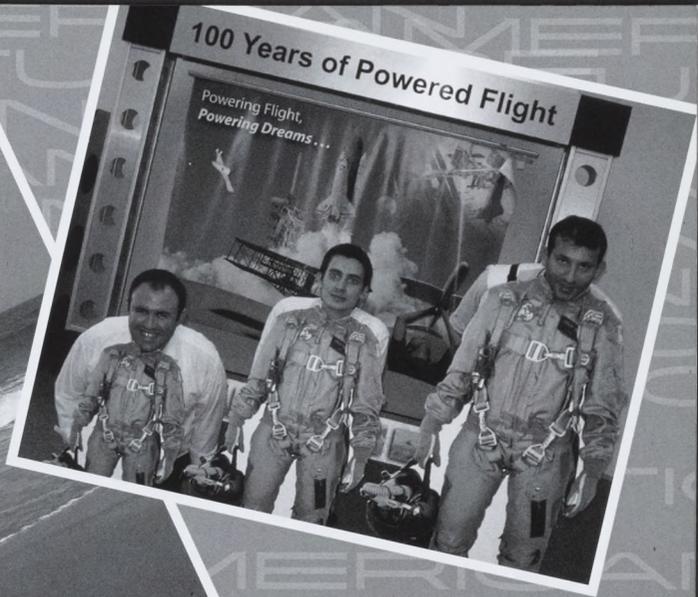
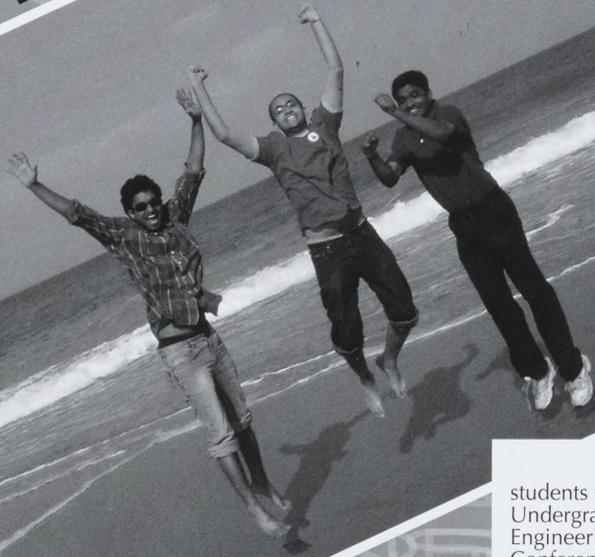
The Delta Mu chapter of the Alpha Xi Delta sorority has held these ideals and principles since 1964. Their philanthropy, Choose Children, is not an organization, but an idea. It enables them to help the children in the area to their greatest potential. The Delta Mu Chapter does this by volunteering at the local Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters and cooking dinner for the families at Ronald McDonald House. They also take part in Adopt-a-Spot, Relay for Life, Greek Week, FOR Kids, and their annual event, Battle of the Bands, to raise money for the Ronald McDonald House. The women of Alpha Xi Delta are not just sorority women; they are women who strive to make a difference in the community and at Old Dominion University.

# American Chemical Society



The American Chemical Society Student Affiliates are a professional student section affiliated with the national organization. Though open to everyone, we mostly attract chemistry, biochemistry, and biology majors. Every year, new members add to the variety and creativity of the group. Together, we connect to Old Dominion's undergraduates, graduates, and faculty through general meetings, socials, lectures, and fun chemistry-related contests. Our largest events target the surrounding community with the purpose of sharing our enthusiasm for chemistry and for Old Dominion University with the public, including boy and girl scouts, high school students, and other potential Monarchs.

# American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics



The ODU Chapter of the AIAA is a student group that embodies students with an interest in aerospace studies. The students range from Undergraduate to Graduate level, and consist mostly of Aerospace Engineering students. The group competes primarily in the AIAA Student Conference Paper contest, held annually at AIAA Region I area. The goal is to prepare students to present and publish their work in a professional manner. In the past AIAA ODU Chapter members successfully represented our school.

An unusually large team from ODU (13 students + 1 faculty) traveled to Penn State University April 7-8th for the annual AIAA regional student paper competition. Of 13 entries in the graduate division, 6 were from ODU and we came away with 1st place (Isik Ozcer) and 3rd place (Jimmy Leahy), thoroughly embarrassing Penn State, Maryland, Virginia Tech, UVA, and even NIA. Ozcer will now compete in the national competition to be held in January 2007 at the AIAA Aerospace Sciences Meeting in Reno. The winning paper was entitled "Sonic Boom Prediction Using Euler / Full Potential Methodology." The 3rd place paper was entitled "An Update on Progress towards a Working Five Degree of Freedom Magnetic Suspension and Balance System."

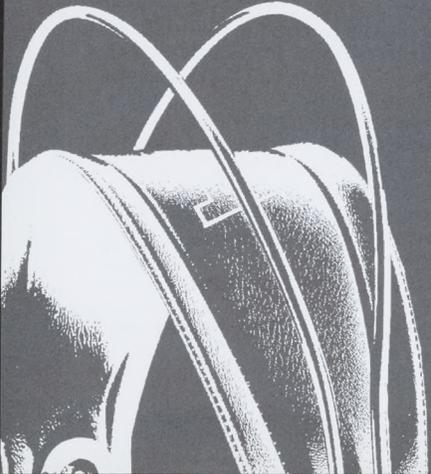
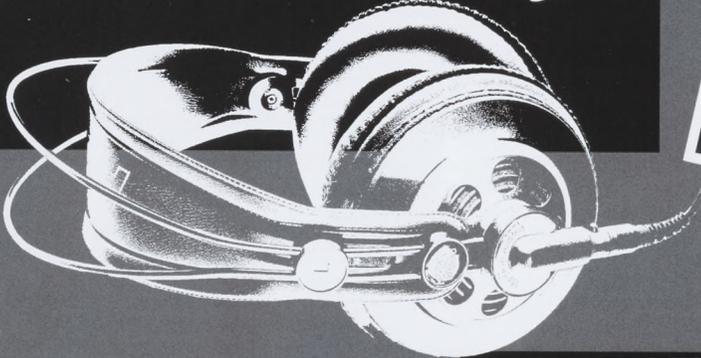
The team was also very successful in 2005 AIAA Student Conference held at UVA. Two of the members, Donhyuk Jeong and Yenew Kassaye won 2nd and 3rd places, respectively. Currently they have around 40 members actively participating in our events. Other than attending annual student conferences organized by AIAA National Chapter, they also visit places that are related to aerospace engineering such as Wright Brothers Memorial, Langley Air Show, NASA Langley Aircraft Landing Dynamics Facility, Smithsonian National Air and Space Museum, Virginia Air and Science Center.

For more information and pictures visit us at <http://www.orgs.odu.edu/aiaa/>.





# Baptist Collegiate Ministry



The Baptist Collegiate Ministry is dedicated to seeing the campus of Old Dominion University know Jesus Christ, grow in their spiritual walk, and share God's love. The BCM's heart is set on serving God through their multiple ministry areas. Their ministry conducts worship nights which offer praise through songs, dance, prayer, scripture, preaching and skits. BCM hosts several socials and fun events throughout the year. Each year they go on a spring break mission trip, as well as have many other small community missions throughout the year. BCM is also involved in, Almost Free lunches on Thursdays during activity hour, Worship nights, and Bible studies. For more information go to <http://www.orgs.odu.edu/bsu>.

# BETA BETA BETA

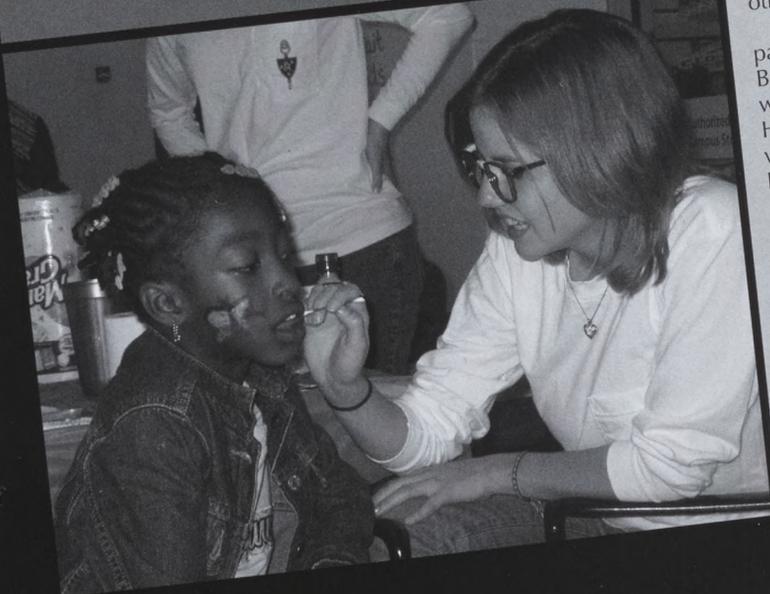


The Beta Beta Beta Biological Honors Society is a part of the ODU Kappa Epsilon Chapter. Their mission is to improve and expand the understanding, appreciation, and involvement of biological study among undergraduate students. The society's interest is geared toward scientific research and education within the life sciences. This year they have concentrated on making their mission a part of the organization's routine in which they, as officers and members, express to others through their participation and activities on and off campus.

In order to spread their name around campus, Beta Beta Beta participated in many ODU events including Preview. In November, Beta Beta Beta volunteered at Cultural Explosion and also had a float with their sister organizations, AED and Pre-Health Club in the annual Homecoming Parade. They also participated in the Halloween Party with the Black Students Alliance (BSA). In the spring semester, Beta Beta Beta participated in Relay For Life.

Not only is Beta Beta Beta very active on-campus, but they also are very active off-campus by planning socials and events for members. In the fall semester, they participated in a dolphin watch off of the Virginia Beach coastline. They also went to the Forensics Lab Center in Downtown Norfolk. In the spring semester, they took students on a whale watch and participated in the annual March of Dimes to raise awareness for premature babies.

By staying active both on-campus and off-campus, Beta Beta Beta Biological Honors Society continues to inform others about research and education within the life sciences to both returning as well as prospective members.



# BLACK & GOLD SOCIETY

The Black and Gold Society is an Old Dominion University student organization that provides leadership development opportunities and participates in numerous on and off campus activities. Black and Gold Society activities include community service projects, paintball, military weapons ranges, rappelling, recreational sports programs, and more. Primary membership of the Black and Gold Society is made up of Army ROTC students. However, all university students are eligible and encouraged to join.

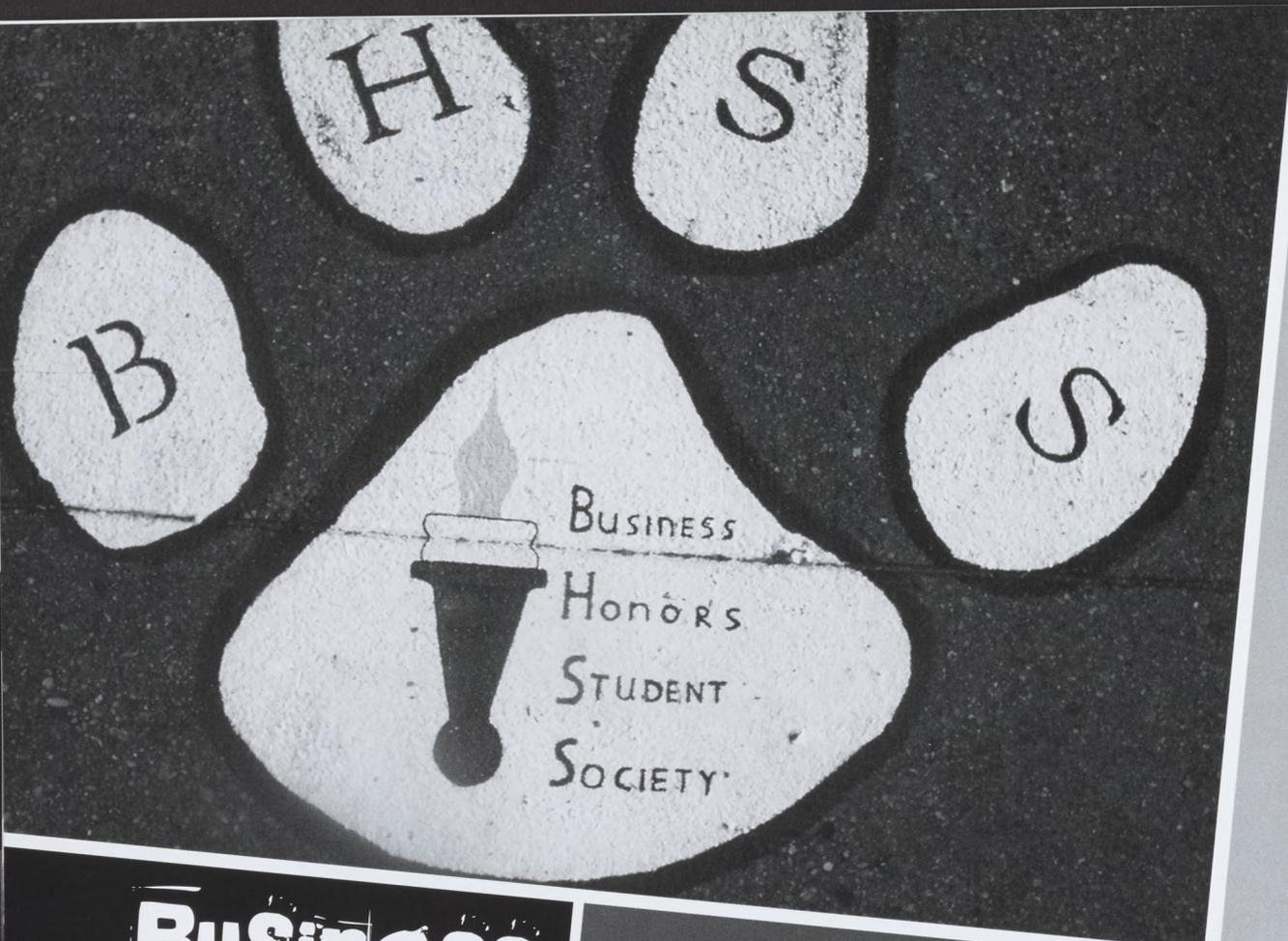
Members are eligible to participate on the Army ROTC Color Guard team and Ranger Challenge team. While participating in Black and Gold activities, members have the opportunity to learn about various scholarship and tuition assistance programs through the Army ROTC and Army Reserve Components. Members will learn about the extensive career opportunities available to ROTC cadets.



# Black Data. Processing Associates



The field of Information Systems and Technology (IT) requires advanced minds and exceptional thinkers. In order to help minority students excel in such a demanding vocation, the BDPA was formed to serve as an alliance of black students who wish to pursue technological studies. Students have the opportunity to network with potential employers and to develop skills vital to the industry. Through guest lecturers and potential internship opportunities, students are exposed to the arduous demands of IT professions, thus teaching them to be better workers. BDPA's community service efforts and fundraising ventures promote selflessness, thus helping them to become better people.



# Business Honors Student Society

The Business Honors Student Society recognizes and encourages scholastic achievement and excellence among the university's business students. As an honor society, their goal is to enhance the educational experience of our members. They want each member to be better prepared for interviews, networking situations, and future careers as business leaders. The Society invites speakers from the business community to speak at most of their meetings, and sponsors activities that are aimed at professional career development. All of these events are wonderful opportunities to receive knowledge not found in any textbook; directly from the mouths of today's Hampton Roads leaders.

□Kalin N. Locke

# Catholic Campus Ministry



Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM) at Old Dominion University seeks to gather Catholics on campus for prayer, worship, and learning in order that they might bring the light of the Gospel to the University. Their Mission Statement proclaims: Catholic Campus Ministry at Old Dominion University serves God in community. We are dedicated to fostering a sense of belonging and acceptance. The Gifts of the Holy Spirit empower us, as Catholic Christians, to live and grow in faith.

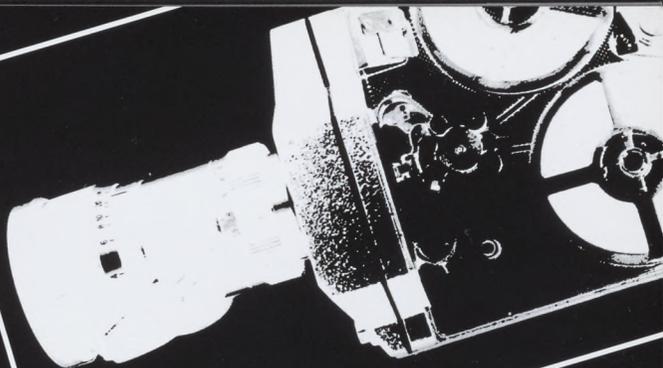
CCM participates in many service projects as well as hosts a weekly mass on campus. They are also one of the top fundraisers for Relay for Life. Most weekdays members can be found hanging around their house on 49th St. across from Webb Center and just having a good time.

# Circle K International



Circle K International is a volunteer based organization that is involved in service on and off ODU's campus. They strive to give back and produce positive outcomes in the community. This year alone they have volunteered at the YWCA, Atlantic Community Center, Ernie-Morgan Environmental Action Center, and the Breast Cancer walk.

# The Communications Club



The Communications Club is an imperative organization that links students with working professionals. Frequently associated with the Film Festival, the club this year did much more, including a series entitled, "Not your average lecture." This program allowed students and faculty to partner up and to learn communication applications in an interactive and exciting way.

# DELTA ZETA



The Theta Phi chapter of Delta Zeta at Old Dominion University was founded on December 11, 1965. In the last 41 years, the Theta Phi chapter has become a strong organization and dominant feature on the ODU campus due to its member's outstanding dedication to sisterhood, philanthropy, academia, leadership, and involvement.

For the 2006-2007 year, the ladies of Delta Zeta earned several incredibly worthy accomplishments. Nationally, the Theta Phi chapter won the Loving Cup for being the most improved chapter of the year. The chapter was also awarded with Outstanding Senior and New Member of the Year, as well as having the most logged community service hours at the Greek Awards Ceremony.

Beyond the awards, the ladies of Delta Zeta poured their efforts into being more actively involved on campus. The sisters worked to install two annual events on campus, Turtle Tug and the ARK Project. Turtle Tug was created to bring different campus organizations together for a game of tug-of-war and to raise money for Delta Zeta's local and national philanthropies for the hearing and speech impaired. The ARK Project (Always Remember Kelly) was established in memory of Kelly Allen, a sister who passed away in a car accident because she was not wearing her seatbelt. The program is focused on reminding people of the importance of wearing seatbelts. The money raised from the project was donated to MADD and SADD organizations.

The sisters of Delta Zeta will continue their endeavors on and off campus to help brighten the community through their foundation of friendship, truth, growth, courage, and knowledge.



# Divine Inspiration Dance Ministry



Divine Inspiration Dance Ministry (DIDM) is a university level Christian praise dance ministry on the campus of ODU whereby the Word of God may be ministered through the art of dance. The vision and purpose of Divine Inspiration Dance Ministry is to dance under the anointing of God so as to encourage the saved and deliver the gift of salvation to the unsaved at Old Dominion University and the Tidewater area. As a ministry, they pray that their choreographies and the Holy Spirit within each of their members will usher audiences into a genuine relationship with Jesus Christ.

# EBONY IMPACT GOSPEL CHOIR



Ebony Impact Gospel Choir was established on the campus of Old Dominion University in 1977. The organization was founded by Mrs. Carolyn McCollum of Old Dominion University and Mrs. Carolyn Bell of Norfolk State University. Although E.I. began primarily as a social organization, they eventually evolved into Ebony Impact Gospel Choir. Their purpose is to bring forth the Word of God through song on the campus and in the community. Their mission is to always lift up the name of Jesus in everything that they do. It has been 30 years since Ebony Impact was first established and they are still going strong!!

# F.O.R.E.I.G.N.E.R.S.



The F.O.R.E.I.G.N.E.R.S. is a newly formed social group by some Fantastic Outstanding Ridiculously Entertaining Immigrant Geniuses who have Narcissistic and Egotistical Rationale. This club is seen as the biggest social club on the earth. The vision is to promote the International-American interaction in a fun way. The F.O.R.E.I.G.N.E.R.S. is active and popular on campus.

The F.O.R.E.I.G.N.E.R.S. co-sponsored monthly International Flavor events and performed at Cultural Explosion. They host movie nights and social events (i.e. Ibiza Night). They also promote several other international groups around campus. In the upcoming semester you can anticipate lots of fun to come from the F.O.R.E.I.G.N.E.R.S.

# Filipino American Student Association



The Filipino American Student Association, also known as FASA, strives to reach out to all people both at ODU and the Hampton Roads community to foster better understanding of the Filipino culture. This past year, FASA planned and participated in many events. FASA hosted their annual CIPHER and culture night event, as well as various social, community service, and sporting events and educational workshops. Members of FASA were also given the opportunity to travel to other colleges and universities to attend national dialogues and conferences planned by various districts of the Filipino Intercollegiate Networking Dialogue (FIND).

FASA is proud to be a part of the Multicultural Student Services. FASA has been given many opportunities to be able to network with other organizations and has grown to become one of the most well known organizations on ODU's campus. FASA will continue to thrive under the leadership of the new members and will bring another great year for the organization. Founded in April 1991, FASA proudly celebrates their 16th year here at ODU.

# F.O.C.U.S



The F.O.C.U.S. short for The Freedom Offered through Christ who Uses individuals Supernaturally is a cutting-edge Christian student organization that was founded in the Fall of 2005. Their mission is to motivate the students of O.D.U. to become visual representations of Jesus Christ wherever they go. In their first semester as a recognized student organization during spring of 2006, F.O.C.U.S. hosted a number of events where at least 200 people were reached. Through their bible studies, which are held every Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m., people have had the opportunity to grow in every area of their life.



# hellenic society



The mission of the Hellenic Society is to promote the Hellenic culture and heritage and to educate its members, ODU students, and the Hampton Roads community at large, regarding the various aspects of ancient and modern Greek civilization.

The primary function of the society is to create a meeting ground for its members to interact, socialize, and learn from each other's experience as Greek students at ODU. As a result, the society has helped and continues to assist new students adjust more smoothly to the demands of college life in the United States, and feel comfortable in their new environment more quickly. Also important to the society is its function as a linking point, or ambassador of Hellenic culture.

The Hellenic Society sponsors numerous Greek Nights throughout the academic year, as well as other events, such as cookouts, where students can try out some authentic Greek food. In addition, the Society cosponsors the annual Balkan movie festival by showing a Greek movie, participates at major University events, such as Cultural Explosion and Homecoming, and helps the community by taking part in several volunteer events (Light the Night Walk and Relay for Life). Furthermore, the Hellenic Society holds various events concerning Greek and Greek-Cypriot cultural and political matters, such as the Cyprus Problem.

The membership of the society is made up chiefly of students from Greece, Cyprus, and Greek American communities. However, students of all backgrounds are strongly encouraged to join and are warmly welcomed.

# HONOR COUNCIL



Old Dominion University takes great pride in its reputation of academic integrity. The Honor Council preserves that reputation by educating students about the importance of honor in an academic community.

This year, the Council conducted monthly Honor Days to promote and maintain the organization's reputation and visibility in the campus community. Whether we were giving out free cake or passing out lollypops disguised as Halloween ghosts, the Council was constantly meeting new people.

We cosponsored events with many other campus organizations, including Movie Night with SAC and elections with SGA. In early November, the Council hosted a debate between the College Republicans and the College Democrats for the Greek organizations of ODU.

We would like the values we teach to be lifelong personal standards. To accomplish this goal, the Council encourages all students to sign the Graduation Pledge Alliance. The Pledge affirms that students will uphold honor and integrity in their careers and will take into account the social and environmental ramifications of their jobs.

# Human Services Association



The Human Services Association (HSA) is dedicated in participating in many community service projects and volunteer experiences. This organization encourages the interest of any student, particularly those who major or minor in Human Services. They present numerous guest speakers from many agencies in the area, which gives students the chance to engage in opportunities that can enhance their human services skills. HSA strives to improve lives through service and they welcome anyone who is willing to contribute their time and lend a hand on campus and in the community!

□ Carla Taylor, Secretary of HSA

# In Support of Children

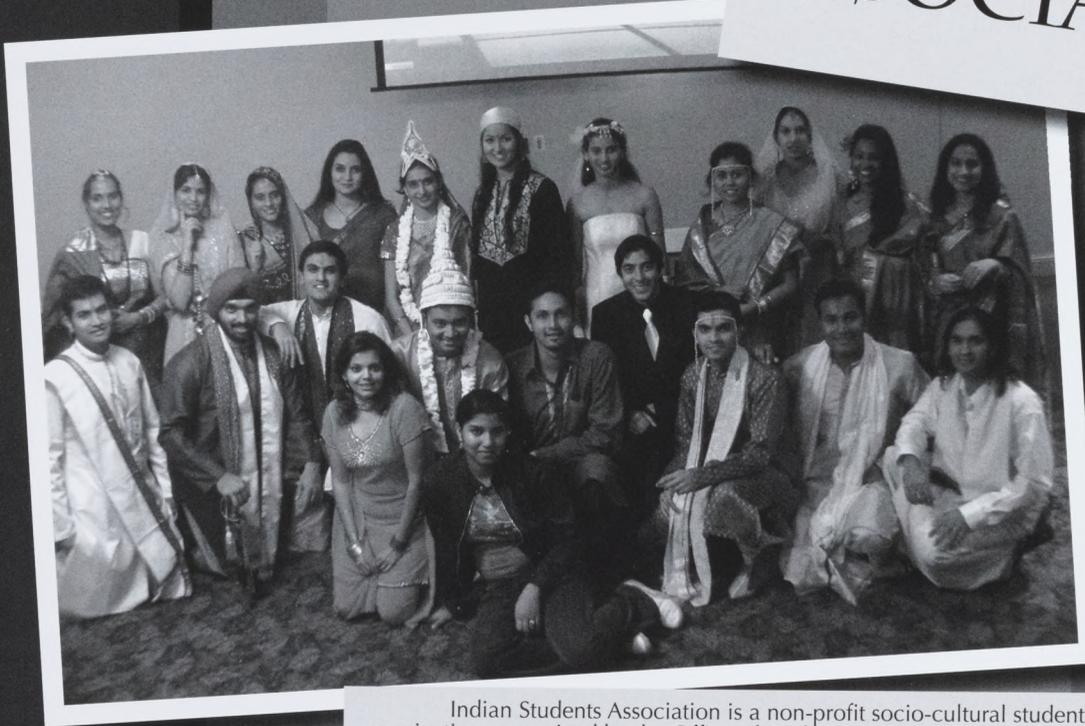


In January of 1992, a group composed of compassionate Old Dominion University students, staff and faculty, came together as one to form In Support of Children.

The organization's mission is to raise public awareness about violence towards children and to ultimately eradicate the plight of children in our world. Now in its fourteenth year, ISOC has continued to work diligently to ensure that all children are treated with respect and dignity as human beings.

ISOC stands by their motto, "It's NEVER ok to HIT A CHILD!" because they are certain that the true key to making a difference in the future of our world is to end the maltreatment of children.

# INDIAN STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

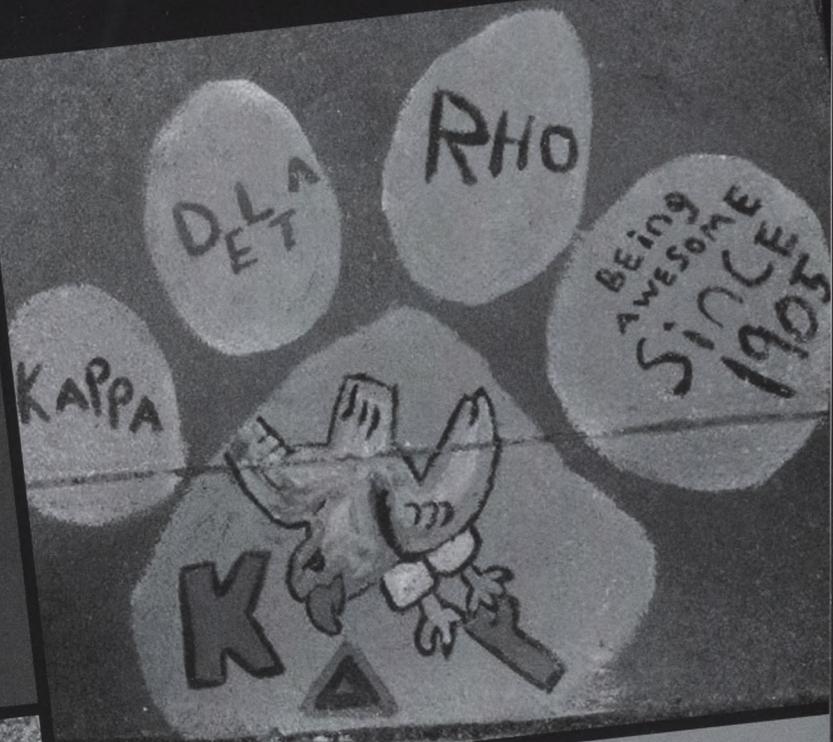


Indian Students Association is a non-profit socio-cultural student organization recognized by the Office of Student Activities and Leadership (OSAL) at Old Dominion University. The origin of ISA at Old Dominion University can be traced back to 1977. For around 40 years they have been contributing to the university's cultural diversity.

The purpose of the organization is to provide an opportunity for all students of Indian and foreign origin to interact and share the cultural heritage of India. The primary goal is to provide a homely atmosphere for the students and families from India. ISA is concerned with promoting awareness about Indian tradition, cuisine, music, and art and dance forms by conducting events all year round. In addition, ISA also organizes local fund raisers for humanitarian causes.

ISA is managed annually by a new executive committee, which has representatives elected from almost every corner of India. This is an ample testimony of democracy and cultural diversity at work.

# Kappa Delta Rho



The Epsilon Beta Chapter of Kappa Delta Rho at Old Dominion University underwent a remarkable 2006 year in which it initiated nine brothers and saw the fraternity grow in other aspects as well. The fraternity logged numerous hours of community service from events such as Adopt-A-Spot and Adopt-A-Street. The fraternity raised money from working at the Convocation Center as well as holding a car bash. The money made goes towards Relay for Life, another event the fraternity attends in April. Kappa Delta Rho enjoyed many socials with sororities as well as holding events to meet other fraternities. KDR wishes well to all those brothers who graduated.

# LAMBDA CHI ALPHA



The Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity at Old Dominion University is a model organization to the community. As one of the largest Fraternities in the world, with over 250,000 initiated brothers, they promote both academic and social involvement through the ideals of Fraternity, Morality, Learning, and Patriotism. The brothers here at the Old Dominion chapter, also known as Sigma Iota Zeta, are determined to make a difference in the community through spreading those ideals. Whether it's encouraging one another to improve in a class, or motivating our teams at the numerous intramural sporting events, Lambda Chi Alpha is forged on brotherhood and the bonds that follow their years here at Old Dominion.



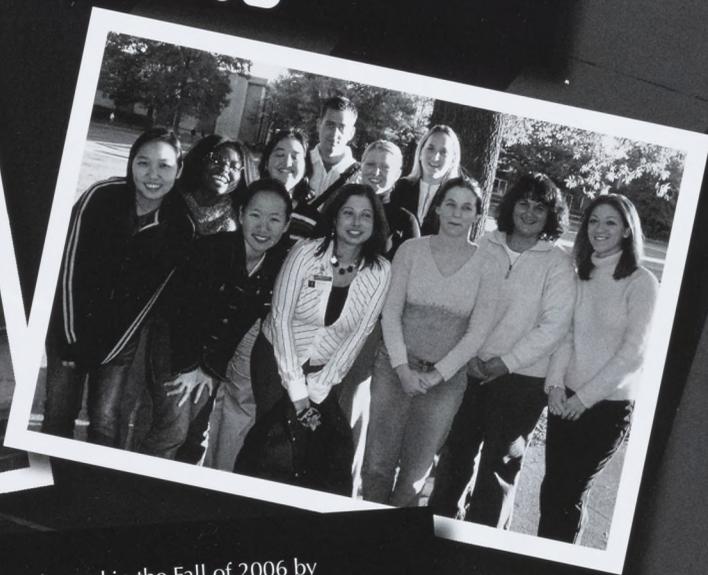
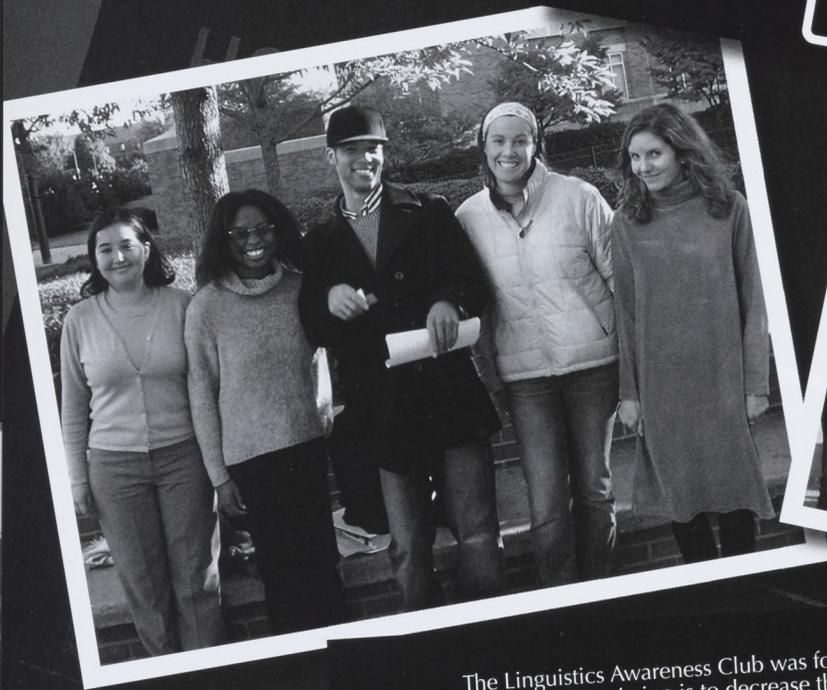
# LATINO STUDENT ALLIANCE



The Latino Student Alliance was founded to give the growing population of Latinos a comfortable place where they can come together from all different nationalities, backgrounds, and beliefs. As a group, the Latino Student Alliance promises to continue to fulfill the needs of the Latino Student body. LSA allows its members to participate in meetings, social and academic events, along with community service.



# Linguistics Awareness Club



The Linguistics Awareness Club was formed in the Fall of 2006 by Linguistics students. Its mission is to decrease the amount of dialect based discrimination by educating the public that everyone has an accent and that it is wrong to expect someone to change their accent. Its activities include inviting speakers to present at a dialect awareness forum at ODU and assisting in developing a linguistics curriculum for Virginia public schools. They welcome any interested student to become a new member!

# MACE & CROWN

The New York Times



The Mace & Crown is ODU's student run newspaper. It serves as a voice for the students, covering all important issues and events on campus in an unbiased manner without influence from the administration. It also gives students experience in writing, editing, photography, graphic design and advertising sales. The paper is published every Wednesday throughout the semester, and is available for free campus wide. So remember to get Maced every Wednesday!

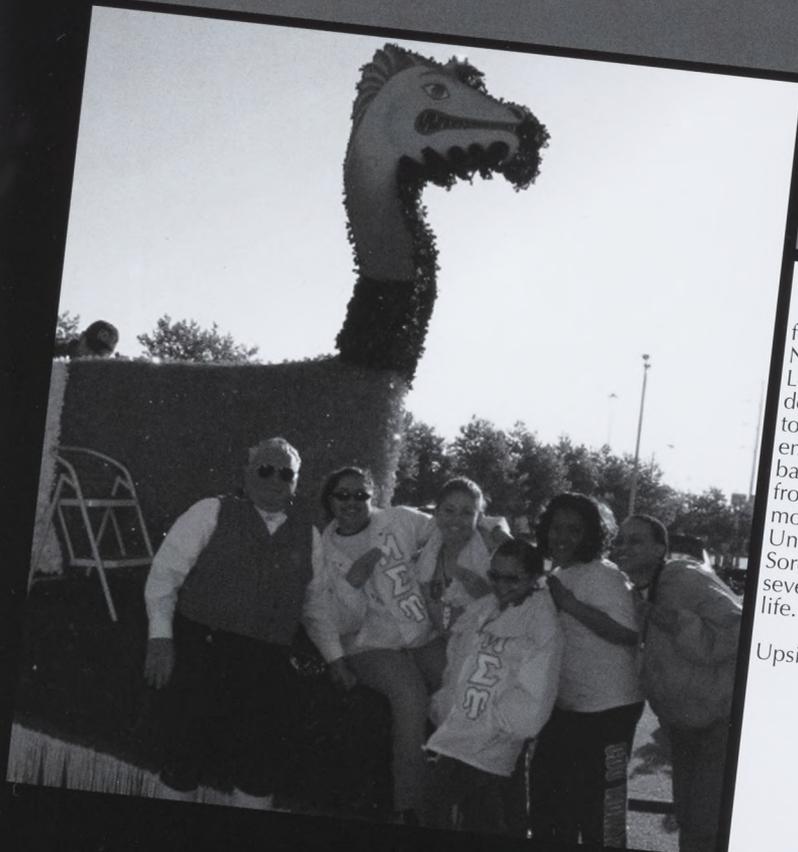
# MONARCH SWING DANCE ASSOCIATION



Celebrating its 5th year anniversary, the Monarch Swing Dance Association is a small club with lots of style. For the past five years, the Monarch Swing Dancers have provided the Old Dominion students with free swing dance lessons and social dances. Last year's end of semester party, which included free food and beginner dance lesson, attracted over 30 guests from around the Hampton Roads area, and even brought out dancers from the William and Mary swing club!

This year the club hopes to broaden its boundaries with more diverse members, special guest instructors, and school based performances. Keep an eye out for the Monarch Swingers bringing a jumping and jiving party near you!

# Mu SIGMA UPSILON



Mu Sigma Upsilon Sorority Inc. was founded on November 21, 1981 at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, as the first Multicultural Greek Letter organization. The founders were five women determined to establish an organization that brought together all women. It was their limitless vision that enabled these determined women to break down the barriers and build the bridges that connected women from all different parts of the world. Hence, their motto "Mujeres Siempre Unidas," or "Women Always United. The Celtic Chapter of Mu Sigma Upsilon Sorority, Inc. was founded on November 20, 2005 by seven women from different ethnicities and walks of life.

For more information about Mu Sigma Upsilon, please visit <http://www.musigmaupsilon.org/>

National Association of

# Blacks in Criminal Justice



The Old Dominion University chapter of the National Association of Blacks In Criminal Justice (NABCJ) was created as a way of connecting students to professionals who are concerned with the state of the justice system and how it relates to African Americans and other people of color. This organization is open to anyone regardless of major or ethnicity. What matters is that the individual has an interest in the state of the justice system and has a desire to work with an organization that strives for equality in a fundamental aspect of democracy-justice.

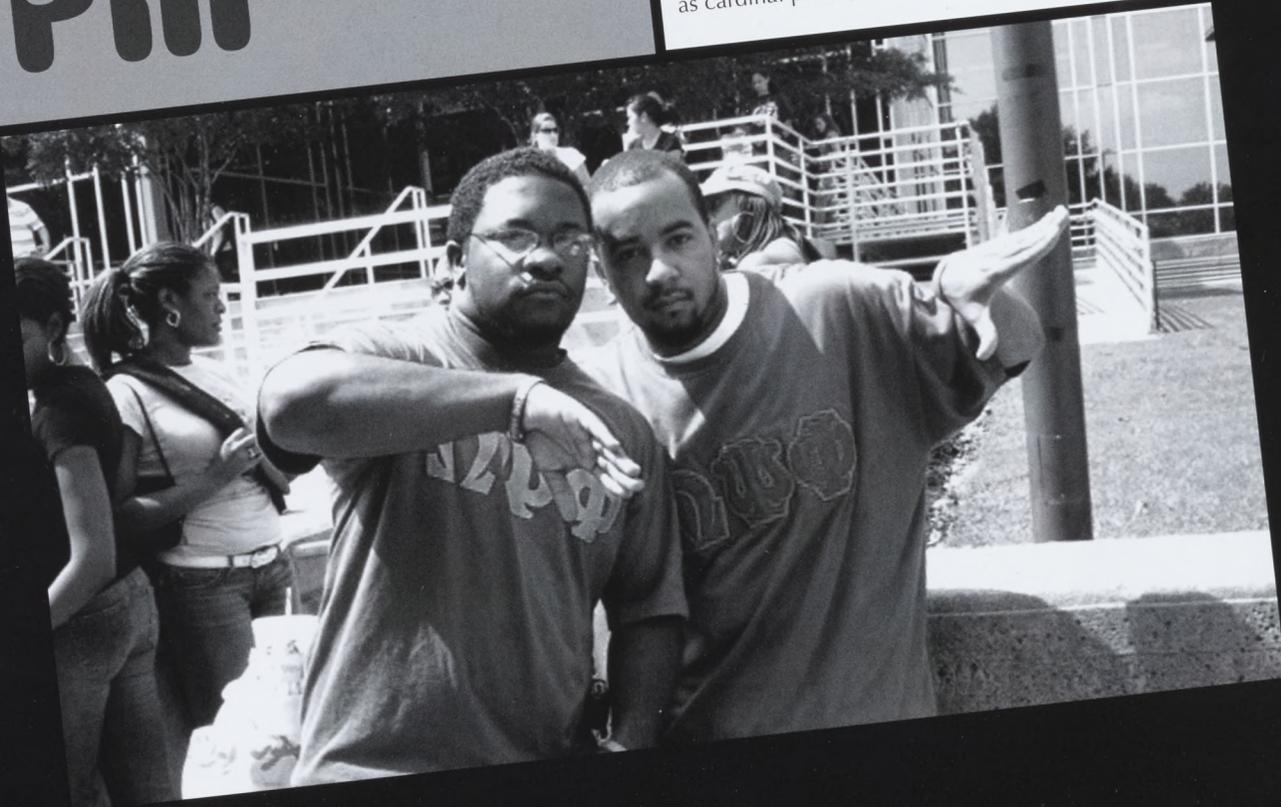
# SPEECH NATIONAL STUDENT LANGUAGE HEARING ASSOCIATION



The ODU chapter of the National Student Speech Language Hearing Association (NSSLHA) is a professional organization that strives to enrich the academic and social lives of its members. They welcome both undergraduate and graduate students and currently have more than fifty active members. NSSLHA meets monthly to discuss organizational business/news and host guest speakers from a variety of work settings within the industries of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology. NSSLHA is also annually involved in Relay for Life, Operation Smile, Growing Healthy Readers and many more philanthropic endeavors.

# Omega Psi Phi

On Friday evening, November 17, 1911, three Howard University undergraduate students, with the assistance of their faculty adviser, gave birth to the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. This event occurred in the office of biology Professor Ernest E. Just, the faculty adviser, in the Science Hall (now known as Thirkield Hall). The three liberal arts students were Edgar A. Love, Oscar J. Cooper and Frank Coleman. From the initials of the Greek phrase meaning "friendship is essential to the soul," the name Omega Psi Phi was derived. The phrase was selected as their motto. Manhood, scholarship, perseverance and uplift were adopted as cardinal principles.



# PHI ETA SIGMA



Phi Eta Sigma is an honor society that emphasizes scholarship, strength, and noble character among its members. The first chapter was established in 1923 at the University of Illinois to promote scholarship among freshmen. In 1998, Old Dominion officially welcomed the first chapter of Phi Eta Sigma on our campus. In order to be inducted into Phi Eta Sigma, a student must have a cumulative GPA of a 3.5 or higher. Since our chapter was first established, we have grown very quickly and we have been able to provide community service to many local organizations including Harbor Pointe Medical and Rehabilitation Center, Ronald MacDonald House, Relay for Life, as well as many other organizations. In addition, Phi Eta Sigma has begun a tradition of a yearly semi-formal, which is a favorite activity among our members.

# PHYSICS GRADUATE STUDENT ASSOCIATION



Physics is a field of study full of excitement where future discoveries will continue to change the world in ways beyond our wildest imagination. The laboratory of the physicist extends from the edge of the universe to inside the nucleus of an atom. The Physics Graduate Student Association (PGSA) was formed to promote communication among graduate students in the various branches of physics research at ODU as well as providing an opportunity for social activities. In addition, the PGSA offers members chances to voice and seek resolution of relevant concerns regarding their position as Physics graduate students.

# PI beta Phi

When you meet a Pi Phi, you realize immediately that there's something unique about her. There's an unmatched level of integrity and commitment to excellence, and a general aura of potential that sets this person apart from the pack. That's because she's a Pi Phi through and through and a member of a premier organization for women. Pi Phi's have a long, rich history that is steeped in tradition and values, and the ideals set forth by their Founders are what they still live by today. The VA Delta chapter of Pi Beta Phi at Old Dominion University continues to promote the values and ideals of their founders.



# pi kappa alpha

Throughout the course of the 2006-2007 academic school year, the men of Pi Kappa Alpha undertook great strides in bettering their brotherhood, Old Dominion University, and the surrounding community. During the month of October, they cleaned a mile long stretch of Hampton Blvd., which has been adopted in their name. Pi Kappa Alpha plans to do this again several more times throughout the year to ensure that Old Dominion University and the outlying neighborhoods remain beautiful.

Another event that the brothers of Pi Kappa Alpha held is their Christmas Tree Lighting that is held annually to show their continued support for the families surrounding campus. Congratulations to Brother Paul Day and Brother Jason Ullman who are the most outstanding brothers for the fall semester. They both received a scholarship from the Zeta Iota Chapter's Alumni for having the most improved GPAs out of the chapter.

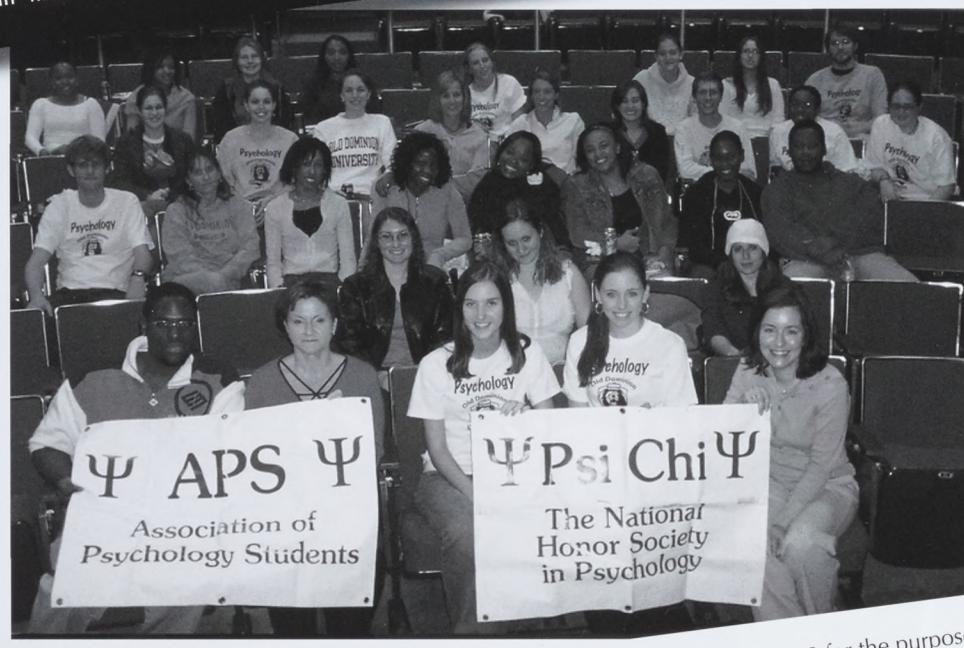


# The Propeller Club



The Propeller Club is a professional organization whose purpose is to introduce its student members to the local maritime and transportation industries and to the professionals who manage them. The Propeller Club also offers a great opportunity for those seeking careers in international commerce to network and make the contacts that count when graduation comes around. They provide our members tangible and practical experiences through a variety of tours, lectures, and luncheons and promote scholarly research in fields of concern to the maritime industry. The Propeller Club welcomes students from all disciplines; Economics, Marketing, IT, and Engineering.

# PSI CHI AND APS



Psi Chi, the National Honor Society in Psychology, was founded in 1929 for the purpose of encouraging, stimulating, and maintaining excellence in scholarship, and advancing the science of psychology. Psi Chi members are invited to attend national and regional conferences and are given the opportunity to contend for research awards and grants.

APS, the Association of Psychology Students, was founded to work in conjunction with Psi Chi, in order to allow all students, undergraduate and graduate, with an interest in psychology to participate and benefit from what we offer.

Both organizations are very active, hosting speakers in various fields of psychology, inviting faculty to discuss departmental programs, participating in numerous community service projects, and organizing and co-sponsoring a range of events on campus. In 2006, Psi Chi was recognized by Student Affairs as the Most Outstanding Organization! They do all that we can to help our members build a strong foundation for the future.

For more information or to get involved, visit our website: [www.orgs.edu](http://www.orgs.edu)

# RANGER

## Challenge Team



The Ranger Challenge Team at Old Dominion University affords highly-motivated Army ROTC cadets the opportunity to acquire and demonstrate specific military skills in a tough, competitive environment. Known as Turleys Rangers in memory of one of the team's past commanders, the Ranger Challenge Team represents Old Dominion University and the Army ROTC Monarch Battalion at a regional competition consisting of both small and large colleges from the east coast. This is a co-ed intercollegiate event, which is the Varsity sport of ROTC. Ranger Challenge training supplements and compliments normal cadet military skills and is geared to the small-unit leader level of operations. It includes skills such as grenade employment, patrolling, survival operations, land navigation, marksmanship, and a high degree of physical fitness. Participation in Ranger Challenge training is open to all enrolled and academically eligible Army ROTC cadets.

During the weekend of October 27-29, 2006, the Monarch Battalion Team consisting of 10 cadets competed in a brigade level competition at Fort Pickett in Blackstone, Virginia. The competition consisted of 21 teams from private, public, and senior military colleges from Virginia and North Carolina. Only 10 cadets were selected to represent the Army ROTC Monarch Battalion. The Ranger Challenge Team consisted of 5 freshmen, 2 sophomores, 2 juniors, and a senior cadet.

☐ Cadet David B. Lora

# SCABBARD AND BLADE HONOR SOCIETY



The Scabbard and Blade National Military Honor Society was founded in 1904 and is nationally recognized and distinguished military honor society. Since its founding, the society, comprised of Army ROTC cadets, has continually raised the bar by striving for excellence and expecting the best from each cadet inducted into the Society. Throughout the year, members of Scabbard and Blade Honor Society participate in service projects with local schools, hospitals, and other organizations.

Membership in the Scabbard and Blade Honor Society is both an honor and a privilege. Cadets strive hard to balance their academic and military responsibilities in order to maintain a competitive grade point average. Members must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0. The society enhances cadet development by focusing on the essential qualities of effective and efficient Army Officers.

□ Cadet Emma C. Taylor

# sigma gamma rho

The Theta Chi Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. was founded in 1982 by three incredible women. The chapter is currently comprised of five classy members who have come together with three major commonalities; scholarship, sisterhood, and service to the community.

The current members are Melissa Bryant, Valarie Smith, Tara Hogwood, LaTresha Barksdale, and Heather DeBruler. This group of women strives to give back as much as possible to Old Dominion University and to their community. Some programs the chapter takes part in are "Operation BigBookbag," "Project Wee Savers," "SPEAR," and more. This organization takes pride in their sorority and shows it in everyway possible, always trying to achieve, "Greater Service, Greater Progress!"



# sigma lambda upsilon



Sigma Lambda Upsilon/ Señoritas Latinas Unidas Sorority, Incorporated was founded on December 1, 1987 by four strong Latinas who created an organization that inspires women with its professionalism, determination, leadership, cultural awareness, academic excellence and most of all an everlasting sisterhood.

The Omega chapter established March 20, 2002 is on a voyage to continue promoting programming of excellence. Small in numbers, they believe that their existence and efforts lie within the devotion they have to one another and our community. Together, the Señoritas hope to continue to act as agents of change at Old Dominion.



# sigma nu



The brothers of the Eta Chi Chapter are very proud of their long history at Old Dominion. For 40 years, they have been on this campus building better men. They have been doing this proudly by instilling their core values of Love, Truth and Honor into every man they initiate. Sigma Nu does its best to contribute services not only to themselves, but to the school and the community in the city of Norfolk. Along with all of this, the brothers contribute to school and Greek life by participating in Homecoming and Greek week. With their core values and contributions to the school and community, the brothers of Sigma Nu know that they will always have a place here at Old Dominion University to build better men.

# Sports Management Association



The Sport Management Association is a student organization comprised of undergraduate sport management majors and minors. The Club was created to help its members see all the opportunities, changes, and challenges in the sport industry. Annually we take a trip a conference held at Georgia Southern. It is a great way to network and get insight on the sports industry. Each year over 500 sport employers come to the conference and speak on issues related to sport. This year they hope to make the second annual golf tournament a great success.

# STUDENT ACTIVITIES COUNCIL

SAC  
Never A Dull Moment!



Looking for something to do? Want to get involved? Want to have a fun time? You've come to the right place. SAC is the place for you.

SAC is the official student programming board for ODU and has plenty of opportunities for you to get involved or just take a break from classes. The Student Activities Council exists in order to initiate and coordinate programming on a University-wide basis.

They have brought many different events like: the Bravery, Make your own DVD, Mike Super, Chris Rock, Make your own key chain, Spoken Word Nights, Homecoming, Movies, Green Day, Tie-die Frisbees, Lupe Fiasco, Sandy Candy, ODU Idol, Mike Jones, Air-Brush Hats, Think Fast Game Show, Murder Mystery, AND MUCH MUCH MORE!

To get involved, please stop by the office in Webb Center!

# STUDENT AMBASSADORS



The Old Dominion Student Ambassadors have been a stronghold on the campus of Old Dominion University since 1988. Currently under the Office of Admissions, the Student Ambassadors are a group of highly productive individuals dedicated to promoting spirit, pride, and tradition at the University. Ambassadors serve as spirited representatives of the student community, serve as delegates and as a student public relations arm at a variety of University functions. Student Ambassadors strive to promote the growth and expansion of the University, encourage participation in campus life and continued participation as alumnus, as well as to instill spirit and pride by educating University guests about Old Dominion. The Old Dominion University Student Ambassadors are truly the "best and brightest" students comprising a variety of experiences and backgrounds.

Student Ambassadors represent Old Dominion's Student Body at University events such as:

- Office of Admissions Open Houses
- Campus Tours
- Spirit Events
- Homecoming
- Senior Toast
- Commencement
- Adopt-A-Paw
- High School Shadow Program

# Student Government Association



The 76th Session of the Old Dominion University Student Government Association has been actively working to make changes to benefit the student body. This organization consists of elected and appointed students who serve on committees, address students' concerns, and propose and vote on legislation that directly affect the university. This year, SGA has improved communication with administrators, student organizations, and the student body to fulfill the organization's mission: "Shaping the Lives of Students by Being Their Unified Voice".

By designing a discussion board on their website, SGA is better able to address students' concerns. SGA also allocates funds to student organizations. Due to inefficiency concerning the budget process SGA has worked tediously to change the budget process to make it easier and more objective for student organizations. A new fund, the Organizational Assistance Fund, was made available for organizations to co-sponsor events with SGA.

This year, The House of Representatives was also implemented, consisting of representatives from student organizations. By concentrating their efforts on issues that are important to the student body, the members of SGA have directed their focus back to where it should be: the best interest of the students. Student Government will continue to focus on the needs of our student body and move forward to ensure that their needs are being met. SGA is not just a governing board, but we care about the student body and hope that we have served and will continue to serve in such a fashion.

# STUDENT HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE



The Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) is a university recognized student organization. SHAC's main goal is to assist in promoting the general health and wellbeing of ODU students, including facilitating, publicizing, and improving the Student Health Center services. SHAC also encourages students to stay healthy through involvement in physical fitness exercises, utilizing Recreational Sports fitness centers, and other indoor and outdoor sporting activities. As a student organization, SHAC also attends college conferences on health and wellness related issues. SHAC members serve as liaisons between students, the Health Center, and campus administration in handling concerns and complaints about health related issues on campus. SHAC provides a student's point of view to the Student Health Center to better serve the student community at ODU.

# Student Virginia Education Association



The Student Virginia Education Association is a professional organization for pre-service teachers. Their members include students in the interdisciplinary studies programs, secondary education, early childhood, physical education, counseling, and many other fields.

They offer workshops and conferences geared toward preparing students to enter the classroom. They also bring guest speakers to their meetings to talk about issues such as teaching methods, new technologies, and community involvement. SVEA is also involved in local community service projects and takes an active role in the political process concerning education.

To learn more about SVEA please visit the website: <http://orgs.odu.edu/svea/>

# Tau Kappa Epsilon

The Kappa Delta Chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon has never been stronger. Tau Kappa Epsilon values scholarship, character, leadership, teamwork, service, and brotherhood. On March 6th 1965, TKE was established at ODU and still strongly follows these values. With recruitment efforts doubling chapter size, they have been able to excel in service to the community. TKE volunteers at the Sacred Heart Soup Kitchen every week serving the homeless a hot meal. They have also participated in Adopt a spot, ODU Easter Egg Hunt, and even helped the Macedonia United Methodist Church's Easter Egg Hunt all the way in Louisa, VA.

The Kappa Delta Chapter hosted the Province Education Conference for TKE this year which was a record high attendance with members representing chapters from GMU, JMU, Radford, and Longwood. The conference aimed at increasing efforts towards risk management, recruitment, and brotherhood. The event was a huge success. TKE will be holding various events involving academics and financial management in the future. They will also be hosting the TKE Alumni Softball game this fall during homecoming.

The Kappa Delta Chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon is a brotherhood of men who support each other's mental, moral, and social development. They will work everyday to display that image of brotherhood and service to the ODU campus and community.

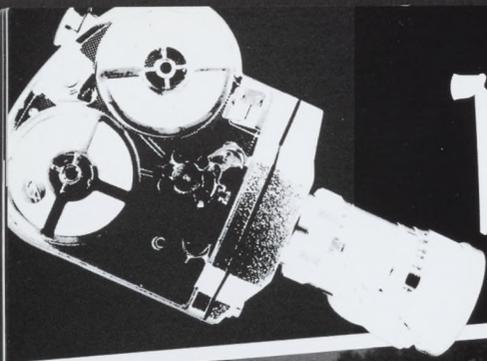


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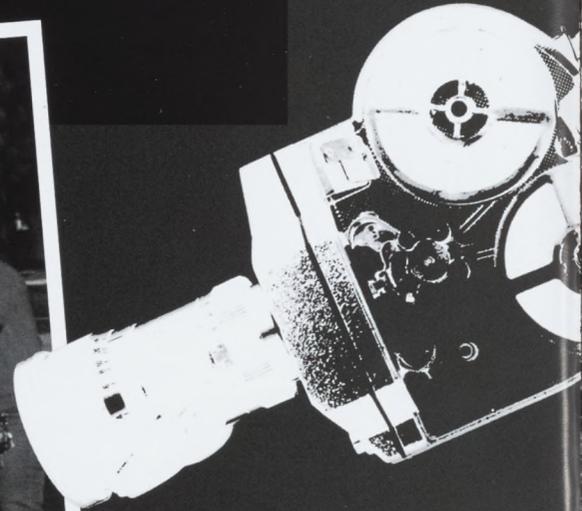


The Zeta Pi chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity was established at Old Dominion University in 1968. Since then the chapter has undergone many changes and adaptations, but its values and strong traditions remain the same. Zeta Pi is composed of leaders and gentlemen who are consistently exemplifying their fraternity motto, "the helping hand".

Theta Chi Fraternity was named as the Old Dominion University Interfraternity Council's Most Outstanding Chapter in April of 2006. Theta Chi continues to promote an excellent image of the Greek community, with their hard work, leadership and dedication.



# T.R.U.S.T.

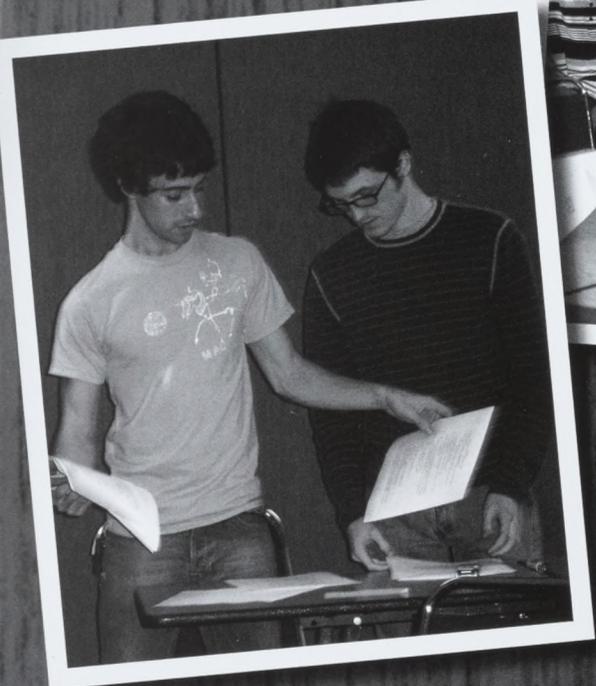


T.R.U.S.T. (To Respect Unite Support and Teach) is an organization that is in its second year at ODU. T.R.U.S.T. are a community service based organization. Their vision is to change the mind set of the college aged student from apathy to empathy in regards to the community. They participate in the Big Brother/ Big Sister and other local mentorship programs as well. T.R.U.S.T. has also adopted a local neighborhood in which they visit and clean up at least twice a month. We also try to help the community during the holidays through food and clothes drives.

T.R.U.S.T. The Movement that brings about change.



# WODU



WODU is Old Dominion University's student run college radio station. WODU has been broadcasting for decades and is proud to offer listeners the means to listen through both ODU Channel 51 as well as an online stream available at [www.woduradio.com](http://www.woduradio.com).

Over the past several years the station has taken great strides in expanding their reach and influence around campus. There have been exponential increases in membership and the show schedule is the most complete it has been over the past five years.

WODU plans to become a prominent media power across Old Dominion and into the Hampton Roads community. Tune in, enjoy, and get involved.

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Working with the yearbook has been a wonderful experience. It has opened my eyes to new experiences and it has showed me all of the great things that Old Dominion has to offer. Plus my co-workers are extremely helpful!

Farewell ODU! We have shared some good times.

*Elle Jones*  
*Photographer*



The Laureate has been the opportunity of my college experience. Thank you to Dionicia Mahler-Rogers, Adrienne Gainer and Elle Jones for taking me on to the Laureate Crew. Working with such a talented group of women has been a pleasure. The yearbook has put my career choice into perspective and I have appreciated the chance to apply my design skills. This was my first large scale design project, and I learned so many things during the process.

I hope that you enjoy this year's edition. We worked hard for you!

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First, I definitely want to thank everyone who helped out in even the most insignificant manner. The year passed quickly and relatively effortlessly, especially compared to years preceding. Our former photographer (who was wonderful) surprised me completely by replacing himself with someone equally as talented and better looking. No such courtesy from last year's graphic designer. Luckily, after a few weeks of frantic searching, a final plea recruited Jordan via Facebook. Karma must have been on Lauree's side, for her pages are fresh and creative. Of course, none of this would have worked out without the constant nagging of our glorious advisor Dionicia. All-in-all, Lauree is quite pleased with her ever so clever (LoL) theme, award worthy journalism, and wicked design. Peace.

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