The announcement that Wesley athletic teams will join the Capital Athletic Conference for the 2007-08 academic year comes as both recognition of the scholar-athlete tradition and good news for the region. Anchored by strong local programs including Salisbury University, the conference is one of the top NCAA Division III conferences in the nation, with member institutions boasting impeccable academic reputations. The realignment is a validation of the College’s commitment to excellence on and off the field, coming in the wake of a stellar semi-final round performance of the national championships by the football Wolverines.

But win or lose, football coach/athletic director Mike Drass, as well as the entire Wesley and Delaware communities who have steadfastly supported the team this season, deserve kudos for their sportsmanship as well as for putting college athletics into its proper perspective. In fact, of the four teams in the national finals, none provide athletics scholarships, and three of the four — including Wesley — earned “top tier” regional rankings in the latest U.S. News and World Report’s “Best Colleges” review. Of the thousands of young student leaders of note, Rocky Myers ’05, the 2004 Gagliardi Trophy winner, perhaps best exemplifies Division III’s tradition of scholar-athletes.

“Wesley is ideally located, with a well-respected and recognized program that is growing,” said CAC Commissioner Dick Cook in acknowledging Wesley’s acceptance of the conference’s invitation to join. Noting a “good fit,” with other member institutions, he pointed out that Wesley enjoys a high level of competitiveness with outstanding students. In addition to football, men’s golf has enjoyed national success, winning eight consecutive PAC titles and boasting a national champion in Dover’s Chris Noll.

The women’s field hockey team has also won a host of PAC titles, advancing to the NCAA regionals. In addition, the CAC complements Wesley’s mission of graduating scholar-athletes who excel in the classroom, on the courts and playing fields, placing a high priority on the well-being of the student in scheduling and in adhering to strict codes of sportsmanship.

On a personal note, the conference embraces reform measures that I’ve long supported, including limiting weekday road travel, emphasizing scholarship and sportsmanship and curbing the commercialization of college sports, among others.

The new CAC alignment promises to give local fans a look at a new level of competition from a diverse group of public and private colleges from the region. Size-wise, with an enrollment of 2,400, Wesley is in the middle of the group that also includes Hood College and Villa Julie College of Maryland, Marymount of Virginia and York (PA) College. Three of the nine members are public institutions, including the largest, Salisbury, with an enrollment of 6,940; St. Mary’s of Maryland, that state’s public honors college; and the University of Mary Washington (VA). The conference also includes the Gallaudet (D.C.) University, the world leader in liberal education and career development for deaf and hard-of-hearing undergraduate students.

In addition, because of the heavy concentration of alumni and families of current students and families in the CAC region, we expect more fans to be able to travel to Dover for home games, a plus for both the college and area businesses. And, of course, we’re looking forward to a friendly rivalry with our neighbor “down the road,” Salisbury University.

As Wesley’s experience demonstrates, there’s no need to choose between academics and a winning intercollegiate tradition. By balancing both, institutions and student-athletes can experience a win-win. The CAC affiliation reaffirms that.
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“We’re pleased to unveil the newly upgraded design of WESLEY magazine for alumni and friends. We’ve had so many wonderful comments from readers in recent years about the terrific content of the publication—it is our hope that the new look will further enhance our readership.”

Dr. Scott D. Miller
JOHN WESLEY (1703-1791)

John Wesley (1703-1791) is the “Wesley” in Wesley College. His mother Susanna Wesley (1670-1742) was a great influence upon him spiritually and he also shared her reserved, disciplined temperament. Apparently he laid it on a little thick as a young man when he had written her. Her reply was motherly: “... the conclusion of your letter is very kind. That you were ever dutiful I very well know, but I know myself enough to rest satisfied with a moderate share of your affection. Indeed it would be unjust of me to desire the love of anyone. Your prayers I want and wish; nor shall I cease while I live to beseech Almighty God to bless you!...” The mother knew the son very well that she had so carefully raised.

THE WESLEY COLLEGE MISSION

Wesley College seeks to be a premier institution for helping students gain the knowledge, skills, and moral and ethical attitudes necessary to achieve their personal goals and contribute to the welfare of their communities in the global society. The College endeavors to impart a desire for lifelong learning and an enhanced capacity for critical and creative thinking so that students can reap the rewards of intellectual growth and professional effectiveness.

As a College in a covenant relationship with the United Methodist Church, and founded upon Christian principles, Wesley strives to realize a holistic campus environment of common purpose, caring, tolerance, inclusiveness, responsibility, and service that is the heart of the concept of community.

Wesley, founded in 1873, is a private, co-educational, student-centered college. Located in Dover, Delaware, Wesley is affiliated with the United Methodist Church. More than 4,000 students are enrolled in the School of Arts & Sciences and the MBNA School of Professional Studies of the College (2,350 total headcount) and the Wesley Collegiate Institute (1,700 in pre-collegiate programs).
Even “John Wesley,” founder of American Methodism and the College’s namesake, and “Reverend Dr. Henry G. Budd”, the first president of Wesley Collegiate Institute, were present for Founder’s Day 2006, celebrating Wesley’s 133rd anniversary with historical storytelling, games and guest speakers. “Wesley” and “Budd” began the special day with tea, scones and storytelling in the College Center. The two historical figures read from a book about Wesley’s first 60 years compiled and written by Dr. Jamie Whitman-Smithe. The second half of Wesley’s history will be presented at next year’s Founder’s Day.

“Wesley College might aptly be described as an institution that refused to give up, first surviving and now, flourishing under several different names in three centuries,” President Miller told faculty, students, staff, alumni and friends assembled for the convocation that night.

Entertaining period events were scheduled throughout the day. Period photos were taken in the Underground and Victorian era games organized in the Dashiel Amphitheater. Students and alumni were encouraged to participate in tugs-of-war, three-legged races and egg tosses. The second half of the first 60 years was told by “Wesley” and “Budd” in the afternoon as the audience enjoyed cake and juice. More games followed.

“Wesley” and “Budd” returned for the 133rd Founders Day. Alumni guest speakers addressed current students about life after graduation in the working world. A convocation celebrating successful students and staff was held in the evening at the Schwartz Center for the Arts. Scholarships and the award of excellence in specific content areas were awarded to deserving students.

“In a time of swirling change and intense global competition, it’s a challenge for any institution to remain faithful to its mission while, at the same time, embracing new opportunities. Yet, it’s gratifying to note that on the 133rd anniversary of its founding, Wesley College has managed to do exactly that,” President Miller said in his convocation remarks.

“His feat is a tribute to the 14 presidents who have preceded me, as well as all of the men and women who have helped the College to thrive. As the First State’s oldest private college, Wesley has succeeded beyond the fondest expectations of our United Methodist founders, who envisioned a liberal arts college of high quality that would also offer an affordable, accessible education to young men and later, to qualified women,” he concluded.

The day ended with a concert at the Schwartz Center at which students performed under the direction of Elliot Jones.
From the Underground to the Outfield

Summer Brings Changes to Wesley

Many facilities renovations are underway this summer at Wesley. The student area on the ground floor of the College Center known as the “Underground” has begun its much needed face lift, comprising the senior gift from the Class of 2006. Robin Smith, SGA president, has been overseeing the project. “We wanted to make the Underground a cool place to hang out,” Smith said. “The 04-05 SGA board started a few projects to better the areas that students use on campus by adding a few couches and pinball machines; this year’s board wanted to extend that,” she added.

The hunter green décor has been replaced with Wesley blue carpet and paint, and a new information desk will be built to serve as a station for work-study students. Smith hopes that these upgrades will help decrease the vandalism of the equipment and the area. Artwork will line the walls. Computers will be added, along with a television that will be set to WSLY, the Wesley College news station. SGA will also be moving into a brand new office in the Underground from the cramped room behind the lobby information desk, providing more working space. “This (Class of ’06) gift will keep on giving,” Smith said.

Wesley Coffee House Gets a Facelift

The Coffeehouse is also getting a new look, with the goal of attracting more students to the lounge. A two-tiered, full-length bar will be added to give employed students a place to do their homework away from the customers. In addition, the stage area will be reclaimed for more performances by musicians and poets.

“W hat worked for classes ten years ago won’t work for us today,” Smith explained. The lobby on the first floor of the College Center will also see a large change. A Java City will be added to this area between the cafeteria and the Wolverine Stop. Managed by Aramark Dining Services, it will serve bagels, coffee, water, fruit cups and other similar food products. “The project is designed to help develop casual space for students,” said President Miller. “It will be a user friendly service for students, staff and faculty.”

“Campus Gains 41 Parking Spaces

Wesley’s parking constraints will be eased with addition of a new parking lot in the grass plot next to the Alumni House on State Street. Although connected to the current faculty parking, it will be designated as open...
parking, as requested by the contributor to the project. The lot will add 41 parking spaces, with two handicapped accessible spots, with two ramps leading to the sidewalks. The parking lot will stop just short of the large recognizable tree next to the Alumni House. Other landscaping will be added to act as a buffer against State Street traffic.

This represents the third new parking lot since 1999; President Miller hopes to add a fourth by 2007.

Revamped Baseball Field Will Boost Recruiting

The baseball field has also seen some changes. During the Christmas break, a new outfield fence was installed, giving the field a more minor league professional feel. The dirt was replaced and new grass planted. However, the renovations do not stop there. The backstop behind home plate has completed its reconfiguration, reaching 25 feet. A warning track in front of the outfield and a new sound system will also be added.

The renovations will take some time, Coach Tripp Keister explained. There are permits to obtain and small delays. However, Keister hopes to have everything done by the end of the summer. All the waiting will be worth it, he believes.

“The facility is a large part of the recruiting process. It is difficult to interest prospective student athletes if the field is not up to par. The new field will help current athletes, as well. A first class facility can motivate the players to perform to the peak of their abilities.

“Other teams have commented on our new outfield fence,” Keister said. “It’s good to have other people notice your field.” The Wesley players are enjoying it, as well.

Students may be pleasantly surprised to find a different campus when they return in the fall. From the Underground to the outfield, each renovation represents a step toward the future of Wesley College.

Wesley Hosts Biden Youth Leadership Conference

Approximately 175 students from 34 high schools across the state of Delaware participated in the 6th Annual Biden Youth Leadership Conference May 17, 2006, on the Wesley campus. U.S. Senator Joseph R. Biden, Jr. (D-Del.) in Washington, D.C. preparing for the beginning of a two-week floor debate on immigration reform, spoke with the students via conference call. Continuing the tradition of former Senator William V. Roth, who spearheaded the program for more than 30 years, Senator Biden has participated in the conference for each of the past six years.

“Several years ago, my friend and colleague Senator Roth asked me to take over the conference he had begun decades before. I was honored to spearhead the effort and decided to expand it a bit, opening the experience to more students from every high school in the state. I have thoroughly enjoyed the experience and hope that the students have gained some practical insights into the major issues facing them and our nation as a whole,” Biden said.

In addition, each student participated in one of four specialized break-out sessions with experts representing various facets of Delaware politics. The most popular of the sessions was “Electronic Surveillance: Big Brother Listening,” in which students where able to interact and ask numerous questions. Dave Turk from the Senate Judiciary Committee and Drew Fennell, executive director of the Delaware American Civil Liberties Union, participated in a lively panel discussing current issues in our intelligence community.

In another session, “Is Delaware Prepared?” students met with members of the Delaware National Guard, including Brigadier General Hugh Broomell and Jamie Turner, adjutant general, Delaware Air National Guard, and director of the Delaware Emergency Management Agency. This was a well-attended session about whether or not Delaware is prepared for a natural disaster such as Hurricane Katrina. Two other sessions entitled, “What News?” and “War on Terrorism,” were also enhanced by representatives from the News Journal and the Delaware law enforcement community. Secretary Dave Mitchell of the Department of Safety and Homeland Security was also present for the terrorism breakout.

Prior to the call-in from Senator Biden, representatives teamed with the students for questions about politics, government and general history. The friendly competition engaged the students in their own knowledge, with the Charter School of Wilmington coming out on top – earning a trip to Washington and a private lunch with Senator Biden in the Senate Dining Room.

Marla Blunt-Carter, project assistant and event coordinator, and members of Senator Biden’s Wilmington office staff including State Director John DiEleuterio, Projects Director Tonya Baker and Director of Constituent Services Patrick Allen also attended.

“All in all, the day was a huge success. The students seemed to have a great time and were really interested in the breakout-session topics. Several students also got to ask the Senator questions about his policies, and he was happy to answer them,” Samantha Smith, conference liaison to Senator Biden’s office, said.
Wells, Wentzien Recognized

Asociate Professor of Mathematics Derald E. Wentzien, representing the model faculty member whose devotion to his profession, his college, community and family is complete, was named 2006 Faculty Award for Excellence winner at the March 23 Founders Day convocation, while Director of Information Services Benjamin B. Wells earned the Staff Award.

“Increasing academic rigor and a higher volume of homework seldom translate into congeniality awards for professors, but this year’s faculty excellence winner is that rare individual who enjoys the respect of students and faculty colleagues alike,” President Scott Miller told faculty, staff, students and alumni gathered for Wesley’s 133rd founding celebration.

“Dr. Wentzien has also balanced teaching and administrative loads – often overloads – admirably. An outstanding teacher who has developed excellent, practical strategies for improving student success in his courses in the College, he has also significantly advanced the methods used for evaluating teaching effectiveness in his discipline,” President Miller added.

During the eight years he has served at Wesley College, Dr. Wentzien has expanded his office hours as well as the number and intensity of written assignments and computer applications, serving as a model to department colleagues while increasing student retention.

“Professor Wentzien’s determination in striving for higher and better professional standards within his courses has earned him widespread respect,” President Miller said.

“In addition, he participates fully in the Bank of America program, the MBA program at New Castle and the evening program teaching courses, evaluating his instructors and reviewing the curricula for improvements. He has been instrumental in developing the mission and structure for a major in his discipline – a proposal that in draft form seems persuasive and most appropriate for the College’s future. Professor Wentzien’s leadership on the mathematics placement issue suggests how intelligence, diplomacy and trust can be used to produce beneficial results for the entire College community, President Miller added.

Dr. Wentzien’s volunteer efforts as a member of the Delaware Civil Air Patrol, piloting his aircraft on search and rescue missions and other useful efforts, are widely acknowledged and acclaimed.

First arriving at Wesley in September 1999 and joining the full-time staff of the College a year later, Wells earned his Bachelor of Business Administration degree this May. The College has benefited enormously from the countless hours he has worked to be a success in every area, including holding a 4.0 grade point average while contributing to Wesley with his learned expertise. During his six years of employment he has mastered his position while fulfilling his family responsibilities as dedicated a husband to his wife, Amy, and father of three daughters, Anna, 5, Audree, 4, and Abbagail, 1, President Miller said.

“He has always completed and excelled in every task that I have given him,” says his supervisor, Chief Information Officer Mary Ann Mumford.

As director of Wesley’s network, Wells has excelled while assisting in the design and upkeep of all telephony and network systems. His responsibilities include managing configuration on all Cisco routers, firewalls and switches; managing 20 servers at both Wesley locations; and the administration of internet bandwidth for faculty, staff and students. His numerous accolades include the prestigious titles of Microsoft Certified Professional and Cisco Certified Network Administrator.

“Wesley’s network is at its best where security and reliability are concerned. The need for computing services in the educational environment is no longer considered a luxury, but a necessity,” said President Miller in presenting the award.
Staying Connected

Wesley launches online link for alumni and friends

Have you ever wondered about your college roommate from years ago or wished that you had kept in touch with more of your Wesley friends since graduation? You’re in luck – staying connected will now become easier than ever! In the coming months, the College will unveil a new internet-based, interactive community designed exclusively for Wesley alumni and friends!

The Office of Alumni Affairs is thrilled to offer this exciting development as the latest perk to former Wesley students, all of whom are automatically members of the Alumni Association. In addition to the existing benefits of membership for all alumni, this secure, password-protected community will be FREE to all who log on. As a virtual meeting place, it will enable alumni to maintain connections with classmates and friends, share photos and news, stay updated on campus happenings and easily register for alumni events and activities.

In addition, the site will be user-friendly, safe and available anytime. Best of all, it will allow members to:

- Search the online directory for friends
- Create an individual profile page
- Post photos and share news
- Send instant emails and chat with fellow alumni and friends
- Post resumes and search for jobs
- Make business and career connections
- Register for alumni events and special activities
- Make secure payments online for Wesley items or gifts
- Become a mentor or an alumni volunteer
- Participate in message board postings and online discussions
- And much more!

Wesley’s online community will be launched and rolled out to all alumni, current parents and friends in the near future. It will be linked to the College’s current website and will require users to login with their username and password. Be on the lookout for more details coming soon through “snail” mail and email to instruct you on how to complete the initial login and be a part of this exciting new web community!

Until the launch, if you would like to ensure that we have your current email address in our records, please complete the online update form on our website at: http://www.wesley.edu/alumni/alumni_connection/address_change_form.html. If you know of other alumni or friends who are not currently receiving Wesley mailings and would like to, please suggest that they update their information online or contact 1-800-937-5398 ext. 2318.
Reach Out and Reconnect

Wesley’s callers bridge the gap between the campus then and now.

Wesley College’s calling program, sponsored by the Office of Institutional Advancement, is designed to allow student callers to connect with former students, parents and friends of Wesley College. Armed with information about how the College has progressed since their time on campus and current data on academic and athletic activities, Wesley’s callers bridge the gap between the campus then and now. The calling program also serves a very important function in helping the college secure additional funds for general operating support as well as targeted capital improvements.

Over the last several years, the program has evolved from an annual two-week phonathon to one running five nights a week for approximately eight months of each year. On occasion, a Saturday morning is thrown into the mix. Moreover, the program has advanced from the dark ages of pen and paper lists to being fully automated.

The only manual maneuver left is for the callers to dial the telephone numbers! How does our calling team feel about these improvements? Beverly Harris, night supervisor, who has a strong background in telemarketing, provides this insight:

“Our returning student callers from the previous year were very excited about going to this automated format. The old ‘pen and paper’ method was very slow and tedious - making for long nightly shifts. It also added to the human error factor.

“This new technology enabled them to make more calls per night, update donors’ records immediately with new information and track their results on a daily basis. Everything they did was instantly captured within our fundraising database, which allowed us to run daily, weekly and year-to-date reports with only a few keystrokes.

“When the calling program closed in April, the callers were proud about what they had accomplished this academic year, and many of these dedicated and energized callers will be returning this coming fall.”

In fall 2006, new and returning student callers will be greeted with more innovations: a new comfortable calling room featuring individual calling stations and new computers. The College is also planning to add one or two additional callers per night to the team.

Five Professors Promoted or Tenured

Congratulations to the following faculty who have been promoted or awarded tenure effective with the 2006-2007 academic year.

Kathleen Curran, Associate Professor of Biology, has been awarded tenure. Lynn Everett, Associate Professor of Biology, has been awarded tenure. Agashi Nwogbaga, Associate Professor of Mathematics, has been awarded tenure. Randall Clack, Assistant Professor of English, has been promoted to Associate Professor. Paul Thornton, Assistant Professor of Business Administration, has been promoted to Associate Professor.

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Raising the Level of Understanding

Wesley College Students in Free Enterprise Team and the Wesley College Corporate Leaders Council Collaborate on Grants

Through the active involvement of Wesley College Corporate Leader Council member, Mr. Fred Downs, the Wesley College Students in Free Enterprise Team (WCSIFE Team) was awarded a $4000 grant from the Dover Downs Gaming and Entertainment Inc. for the development of a business forum. The grant request was written by Dr. Earl Roberts, Assistant Professor of Business Administration and Sam Walton Free Enterprise Fellow. Focuses on some of the core goals of WCSIFE Team.

The WCSIFE Team develops and presents educational outreach programs intended to impact our community. Projects are focused on the following five goals.

- To teach why long-term success and prosperity in a market based economy is dependent on ethical business practices.
- To teach how to develop personal financial management skills needed to achieve financial independence.
- To teach personal success skills.
- To teach how entrepreneurs succeed.
- To teach how a market based economic system operates.

In this business forum, Dr. Roberts proposed raising the community’s awareness of the currency and relevancy of business ethics in our free enterprise system. Many high profile business cases in the media have projected a less than positive image of business. The assumption of this educational outreach program is that most business owners and executives are ethical and promote a high level of ethical behavior within their respective businesses.

The project is to conduct a one-day two-session forum titled “Business Ethics: Currency and Relevance” from which the WCSIFE Team could prepare materials for presentations to high school students (primary target market) and interested business and community organizations (secondary target markets). The forum would be videotaped for the purpose of preparing the materials for use in the educational outreach presentations.

“The Wesley College Students in Free Enterprise Team members want this project to impact our community. SIFE Team members have discussed how this project could raise the level of understanding of the importance to business ethics. Ethical business practices in a market based economy and in a global business environment are not an ‘option’ but a ‘requirement.’”

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The primary target markets include 46 private and public high schools in the state of Delaware. One channel to reach them would be through WCSIFE Team’s partnership with the Delaware Chapter of the Hugh O’Brien Youth Foundation (HOBY). HOBY is dedicated to developing leadership skills in high school sophomores and conducts sessions throughout the year.

“This is an excellent example of the advancement office of various groups within the college working to provide a meaningful experience for our students and community,” says Kevin J. Loftus, Vice President for Institutional Advancement.

The target date for the forum is late October or early November 2006.
Global Education

Wesley College hosted the Business Education Initiative review seminar

This past spring, Wesley College hosted the Business Education Initiative (BEI) review seminar, a program sponsored by the UK Government of Employment and Learning. This was the final BEI review prior to the management of the program being switched to the British Council. The BEI promotes global education providing opportunities for Irish students to attend American Colleges for a year of study abroad. Since 1994 BEI has sponsored more than 1600 students to study in the U.S. Wesley College has been one of the greatest supporters of the program and hosted four Irish students this past academic year.

The seminar saw more than 30 Irish students studying in regional colleges and a few from as far as Iowa, Illinois and New Hampshire descend on Wesley College.

The students were provided with opportunities to meet some of their home institution advisors, leaders of the BEI program and time to socialize with their colleagues now spread out over the U.S. The BEI students spent a day listening to presentations from their peers on a variety of topics including the differences in business practices between US and Irish corporations with reference to marketing, to welfare and with regards to community support. Such seminars help each student to reflect on their experiences in the US as well as share their personal understanding of their time in America.

Wesley College President and members of the cabinet hosted the Irish students, several US foreign student advisors and BEI staff at a formal dinner at the Schwartz Arts Center and informally on the final night in a local restaurant.

The outgoing BEI Program management leader Patricia Colhoun, of the UK Department of Employment and Learning, who received an award from Dr. Miller for her leadership of the program, thanked Dr. Miller and Wesley College for hosting the BEI seminar and wrote “a very big thank you for all the hard work you and your team must have put into organizing such a successful seminar. I have received feedback from students and the academic advisors praising the success of the weekend and this is of course due to you and your team.”

Wesley College’s Director of International programs Steve Clark was delighted with the event, “our own students had opportunities to mix with the Irish students and we were able to create an ambiance for everyone to successfully conduct their business and still have a thoroughly good time. Such events demonstrate our strong relationship with the BEI program, the Irish students and our goal of further developing International Education at Wesley College.”

Wesley College looks forward to continuing the program and developing their relationship with the British Council, as well as exploring opportunities for our students to travel to Ireland.

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Gary Spengler Retires After 38 Years at Wesley

Richard Nixon was in the White House, mini-skirts, bell-bottoms and “hippies” were in fashion and the Vietnam War was still raging in 1968 when Gary Spengler began his teaching career at Wesley College. Today, those first music students have children of their own. Spengler has seen many other changes in his career spanning more than three decades. He has seen the college mature from Wesley Junior College to a four-year degree-granting institution, serving under five presidents.

As assistant professor of music at the time of his retirement this spring, Spengler taught music appreciation, jazz ensemble and the history and appreciation of jazz while giving individual lessons in brass, woodwind and percussion. He previously served as chair of the Fine and Applied Arts Division, director of the Wesley Music Department and director of the Music Preparatory School at Wesley College.

Active in the local music community, Spengler is also a past board member of the Delaware Music Educators Association and director of the Delaware All State Jazz Ensemble. He plans to stay active, playing some 50 “gigs” a year as a trumpeter with local bands and may also give some private lessons.

This summer and fall, he and his wife, Peg, plan to be busy with their antiques business during the Peninsula’s tourist season.

“It hasn’t quite sunk in yet that I’ve retired,” Spengler says. “It won’t hit me until this fall when I don’t go back.”

Margaret (Tiny) Hughes Elbert ’48 refers to herself as an “old” alumna, but her productive lifestyle belies that description. Recipient of a heart pacemaker in 2003, Elbert recently became national president of “Mended Hearts,” the nation’s largest and oldest heart support organization, providing resources to patients and families coping with heart disease. The group boasts more than 252 chapters with a membership of some 22,000.

Elbert, of Floral Park, Long Island, NY, joined her local chapter in 1983 after helping her husband of 54 years, Walter, recover from a heart attack. She now travels throughout the nation, helping to revitalize chapters while working with both members and administrators in hospital-based programs.

“Wesley always gave me the push to do more,” she says in a recent letter to Wesley’s Alumni Office. “It is something I never forgot, and the only reason I am in this position today is because of Wesley.

“I thought you might want to pass on the word that even at this age we are still active, involved people with a desire and need to give to the community.”

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Mending “Broken Hearts”

Lunch and a Tour

Marcus Matthews, Bishop of the Peninsula-Delaware Annual Conference of The United Methodist church and a Wesley Board of Trustee, Reverend Marcus Matthews, Dr. Scott D. Miller, President of the College, Dr. Betty Coplan, Executive Vice President, and Dr. Mark Pruett-Barnett, Chaplain and Director of Church Relations at Wesley.

Pictured from left; Kevin Loftus, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Reverend Dr. James T. Seymour, Resource Center Director for Peninsula-Delaware Annual Conference of The United Methodist church and a Wesley Board of Trustee, Reverend Marcus Matthews, Dr. Scott D. Miller, President of the College, Dr. Betty Coplan, Executive Vice President, and Dr. Mark Pruett-Barnett, Chaplain and Director of Church Relations at Wesley.
WESLEY MINTS 221 NEW GRADS.

A sea of graduates snaked around Wolverine Stadium Saturday, walking their last steps as Wesley College students, two by two, deliberately and thoughtfully, like the alumni they would soon be. Wesley College marked its 133rd commencement under a shining sun and promises of bright new beginnings. “What do you want from your life?” Wesley President Dr. Scott D. Miller asked the crowd. “No one else can select your goals for you — not your family, significant other or close friends.

“But be careful of your answer, because your reply will shape your life for many years.”

A total of 24 master’s degrees, 177 bachelor’s degrees and 20 associate’s degrees were awarded Saturday. Students graduated with credentials in nursing, education and business, but much of the focus of the event remained on the value of a liberal arts education.

Aaron Lesser, a psychology major from New Jersey, shared his grandfather’s message that a day without learning a lesson is a day lost.

“I hope that you will each continue to be students in your own respective ways,” he told his classmates.

“I leave you with one final question — have you learned your lesson today?”

By Elizabeth Redden, Delaware State News
Future
C. Russell McCabe, director of the Delaware Public Archives, called himself a poster child for a liberal arts education – an example of someone who landed a job in his major. Parents broke into a cheer upon hearing the news.

“I like to think that the reason I’m here to talk to you is that I’m a happy guy,” Mr. McCabe said, telling students that “money isn’t everything, but attitude is.”

Dr. Miller presented Mr. McCabe with the Wesley Award for meritorious public service to the state.

Students subsequently stood for the conferred degrees, changing from students into alumni as Dr. Miller spoke. Then they once again walked, one by one this time, toward the stage.

Master of Business Administration recipient Lawrence Adjei’s name was the first one called, and Associate of Science in Business graduate Karin Williams’ name the last. And all throughout, students and parents cried and laughed and waved, the stadium full of nothing if not pomp, nothing if not happy circumstance.

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MOORE’S BOOK REVISITS LOCAL CRIME

Alumnus and former Maryland State’s Attorney Joe Moore ’62 can now add “author” to his already impressive resume that also includes a partnership in the law firm of Williams, Moore, Shockley & Harrison, with offices in Ocean City and Ocean Pines, M D. Since 2003, he has also been a fellow in the elite American College of Trial Lawyers whose membership is limited to no more than one percent of attorneys in any single state.

Wesley alumnus Joe Moore ’62 can now add “author” to his already impressive resume that also includes a partnership in the law firm of Williams, Moore, Shockley & Harrison, with offices in Ocean City and Ocean Pines, M D. Since 2003, he has also been a fellow in the elite American College of Trial Lawyers whose membership is limited to no more than one percent of attorneys in any single state.

YEARS LATER

Photo by Brice Stump, The Daily Times
Moore, who also served as Worcester County, M D, state’s attorney (1979-1983) and as deputy state’s attorney from 1971-1978, has written about a topic he knows well from his legal practice—homicide—and has even reserved movie rights for his new book, Murder on Maryland’s Eastern Shore. Set locally around a 1931 murder case and published by The History Press, Charleston, S.C., Moore’s book represents the first entire recounting of a story with racial implications that bitterly divided the Delmarva Peninsula. Seventy years later, the details of the case are still remembered by some locals who recall a crime that permanently changed the Jim Crow politics of the state and Eastern Shore.

A Civil War buff, Moore’s interest in the decades-old case was piqued a quarter century ago when, as Worcester County’s state attorney, he stumbled across a yellowed file containing envelopes stuffed with indictments for murders. The file in the county courthouse in Snow Hill, M D., contained a 1931 telegram signed by then county state’s attorney Godfrey Child forbidding legal counsel to represent the defendant in the crime, an African-American accused of the murder in Snow Hill. Front page headlines, including those of the Baltimore Sun, from throughout the region sensationalized the story, while the African-American community raged that the defendant, “Orphan Jones,” who became the whipping boy of the region, could not obtain a fair trial.

“They’re right; he couldn’t have,” not in the racially-charged climate of the era, Moore says. “In addition to the legal interest, this book contains all the elements of conflict that create a riveting story: violence, class and racial elements pitted against one another,” he adds. The controversial case attracted the attention of the Communist Party, and caused local mob violence. Its ramifications eventually went all the way to the Supreme Court.

Moore, a University of Maryland Law School graduate who serves on many local boards including those of the Calvin B. Taylor Banking Company, Atlantic General Hospital in Berlin, M D., Chesapeake Utilities in Dover and Worcester Preparatory School, lives in Berlin with his wife, Susan. They have two grown daughters, Melissa Reid and Jennifer Moore and two grandchildren.

His first book is unlikely to be his last. Moore hopes to write a second historical work about another murder case, one that he tried as an attorney, and possibly another on the 1931 lynching of Matthew Williams in Salisbury, M D.

Murder on Maryland’s Eastern Shore is available online at barnesandnoble.com and at amazon.com, and at selected area bookstores. It is now in its second printing.

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Journey to Birmingham

We scraped a little; we painted a little; we had a great time, but we came away different than when we arrived in Birmingham.

by Chaplain Mark Pruett-Barnett
Question: Why would a dean of students, the chaplain, an alumnus, three brand new alumni and four students go to paint and scrape other people's homes in Birmingham, Ala.?

Answer: Because it's a "Jesus-thing." Jesus would have done it.

Question: Yes, but there must be hundreds of homes in Dover that require that kind of work, not to mention hundreds of thousands between Dover and Birmingham. Why Birmingham?

Answer: Birmingham was a pivotal city in the struggle for civil rights in mid-20th Century America. It was a place where the spiritual lives of people met, often violently, with harsh political, social and economic realities in order to bring about change. We went to Birmingham to serve and to learn.

The weeklong opportunity is sponsored by Urban Ministries Inc., a ministry connected with the Northern Alabama Conference of The United Methodist Church. It was very simple, straightforward work on homes: we scraped and painted. John Brown, a formerly homeless man, was the Urban Ministry site coordinator who did his best to keep us on track and on schedule. He is a member of the Church of the Reconciler whose membership is made up of people who have experienced or are experiencing homelessness.

My goal in these projects is to leave a home looking better than it did when we came. We achieved that goal. At one site, we made a great effort to make sure the screens were back in the windows. Although the weather was idyllic while we were there, it was going to quickly turn into another sweltering Birmingham summer. The woman at whose home we were working needed those screens to keep out the bugs and let in the cool air. Many of us complain about higher air conditioning bills. Her situation was such that she could not afford to run her air conditioning. At another house we were able to get everything trimmed up, and at a third site, we got things painted and the paint scraped up off of the porch.

On Wednesday, we made it to the Civil Rights Institute in downtown Birmingham, a powerful place that offered a glimpse of what African-Americans and their allies faced in the civil rights era. We saw a replica of the front section of a burned out bus of the Freedom Riders, who rode together to press for the implementation of the laws desegregating interstate transportation facilities. The Institute also displays the door to the jail cell where Martin Luther King, Jr., wrote his famous Letter from Birmingham Jail.

After viewing those displays, we walked through Kelly Ingram Park, filled with images of how demonstrators were assaulted by authorities with water hoses and dogs. We then visited the 16th Street Baptist Church, where four young girls were killed by a bomb blast in 1963. It is amazing how you can look around that church and see how the new sanctuary rose out of the...
ashes and how its congregation has likewise risen above hatred.

Finally, we visited Col. Stone Johnson, a “foot soldier” in the civil rights movement as a chauffeur and bodyguard to the Rev. Fred Shuttlesworth, who was instrumental in the movement in Birmingham. Now 86, Johnson’s presence and sharing of his experiences, observation and wisdom touched us all. Here was someone who was there at the time and who now represents living history for us.

We scraped a little; we painted a little; we had a great time, but we came away different than when we arrived in Birmingham.

Ed. Note: Spring 2006 marked the second year in which the Office of Campus Ministry sponsored a spring break trip to Birmingham, Ala., as part of a work service project. See profile on the Wesley Campus Ministry in the Spring 2006 issue.

Kneeling, from left, Rev. Edward Lang Sr., and Brian Bush ’06. Standing from left, Melissa Cameron ’07, Deloris Wilson-Hall ’05, Robin Smith ’07, Barricia Wilcox, ’06, Den’nisa Thompson ’08, and Dr. Kenneth Waldrop, Dean of Students. (not pictured, Dr. Mark Pruett-Barnett)
April 28, 2006, marked an historic date in Wesley College alumni history as members of past classes met and greeted some of the newest members of the College community at the J. Seward Johnson Center for the Arts on the Grounds for Sculpture in Hamilton, N.J.

The Wesley College Alumni Association and the Office of Admissions co-hosted an event bringing these disparate generations together.
together for the first time in Wesley history. “The Grounds”, as they are called by Carolyn Nicolai ’62, event host and a volunteer at the facility, consists of several acres of sculpture by various artists, including J. Seward Johnson Jr., heir to the Johnson and Johnson empire and founder of the park whose sculptures include depictions of famous works by Renoir and Manet.

The 35-acre park includes modern pieces made of cast bronze or stainless steel and other life-size depictions of Impressionist paintings or pieces depicting ordinary people in common situations. Various works ranging from classical recreations to modern pieces that engage both the eye and the imagination are found throughout the park. Nicolai gave a pre-event tour of the site to staff including Alumni Affairs and Parental Relations Director Amanda Downes and her husband Marshall ’95, Admissions Counselors Chris Jester ’03 and Chad Robinson ’05 as well as campus photographer Leigh Ann Little. Alumni, future “Wolverines” and staff enjoyed a reception at the Johnson Center that included music by a solo guitarist and light hors d’oeuvres. Alumni and incoming Wesley students mingled to discuss future plans and memories; prizes were given away, and each family was treated to a Wesley College gift. It was a rare opportunity for everyone to gain a new perspective on the Wesley “family.”

By the end of the event, prospective students were exchanging phone numbers and emails and had already made a connection with fellow newcomers – the central purpose of the entire evening, bridging generation gaps and bringing together both new students and their parents and furthering the tradition of friendship within the Wesley College network.

It is hoped that similar events will continue in other alumni chapters and further demonstrate to alumni, prospective Wolverines and their surrounding communities that Wesley College is a great place to make friends and memories.

For more information about the Grounds for Sculpture, go to www.groundsforsculpture.org.
Homecoming 2006

Friday, October 20

ELEVENTH ANNUAL WOLVERINE FALL GOLF CLASSIC
10 a.m. – 4 p.m. (Registration begins at 9 a.m.) at Jonathan’s Landing

Benefits Wesley College Athletics. Cost of $100/person includes greens fees, cart, post-round buffet and prizes. Various levels of sponsorship available. For more information, please contact KEVIN LOFTUS at (302) 736-2316 or loftuskj@wesley.edu

NURSING HONOR SOCIETY CONFERENCE
8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. in the H.B. du Pont College Center, Room 206

Seminar entitled “Survivor: The Nurse’s Challenge” sponsored by the Tau Beta Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau International.

For more information, please contact KAREN L. PANUNTO at (302) 736-2511 or panuntka@wesley.edu

WESLEY ONLINE COMMUNITY WORKSHOP
4 p.m. – 5 p.m. in the Coffeehouse, H.B. du Pont College Center

DONOR RECOGNITION RECEPTION
6 p.m. – 7 p.m. at the Annie J. Cannon House (President’s Residence)

By invitation.

MEN’S SOCCER VS. COLLEGE MISERICORDIA
6 p.m. at Wolverine Stadium

Saturday, October 21

ALUMNI REGISTRATION & COLLEGE DISPLAYS
8 a.m. – 12 noon in the Main lobby, H.B. du Pont College Center

Please check in to receive your Homecoming/reunion 2006 materials, and receive any updated schedule information plus giveaways for all alumni who check in!

GUIDED CAMPUS TOURS
Scheduled throughout the day

Meet in the lobby of the H.B. du Pont College Center for tours led by Student Ambassadors and check out some of the most recent changes and additions to Wesley’s campus along the way!

CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST FOR ALUMNI, FACULTY, STAFF & FRIENDS
9 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. in Dulany Hall, H.B. du Pont College Center

WESLEY ONLINE COMMUNITY WORKSHOP
10 a.m. - 11 a.m. in the Coffeehouse, H.B. du Pont College Center

FOOTBALL ALUMNI BRUNCH
10:30 a.m., Location TBD

For more information, please contact COACH MIKE DRASS at (302) 736-2363 or drassmi@wesley.edu

HOMECOMING PARADE
11 a.m. – 12 noon

Bring your friends and families as we revive a former Wesley Homecoming tradition – a spirited parade to kick off Saturday’s festivities! The parade will start on S. Bradford Street (between Division and Fulton Streets) and continue on State Street to Clara Street, ending near Wolverine Stadium.

VOLLEYBALL TRI-MATCH VS. DELAWARE VALLEY COLLEGE AND GOUCHER COLLEGE
11 a.m. in the Jim and Shirley Wentworth Gymnasium

TAILGATE PARTY FOR ALUMNI, FACULTY, STAFF & FRIENDS
12 noon - 1 p.m. at the tent at Wolverine Stadium

Meet up with your Wesley friends at this pre-game picnic luncheon. Live music provided by alumnus Norm Kopp ’98.

WOLVERINE FOOTBALL VS. SUNY BROCKPORT
1 p.m. at Wolverine Stadium

Special halftime activities and entertainment, along with introduction of the Alumni award recipients and the 2006 Homecoming Court.

FIELD HOCKEY VS. IMMACULATA UNIVERSITY
1 p.m. at the Field Hockey Field

REUNION RECEPTION FOR LEGAL STUDIES GRADUATES FROM ’96 – ’06
Time and location TBD

By invitation. Hosted by Professor Flora Hessling. For more information, please contact PROF. HESSLING at (302) 736-2451 or hesslf@wesley.edu

WOMEN’S SOCCER VS. CEDAR CREST COLLEGE
6 p.m. at Wolverine Stadium

ALUMNI DINNER
6 p.m. Cocktail Hour and 7 p.m. Dinner at the newly-renovated Sheraton Hotel Ballroom

Recognition and group photos for all reunion classes, along with special alumni awards, the 2006 Alumni Association Hall of Fame inductions, and a silent auction to benefit the Alumni Association Scholarship Program.

REUNION PARTY FOR YOUNG ALUMNI
9 p.m. – 1 a.m. at the Z Bar, Sheraton Hotel

Sunday, October 22

HOMECOMING WORSHIP SERVICE WITH HOPE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. in the Wesley Chapel

Sermon by Wesley Chaplain, Dr. Mark Pruett-Barnett. Refreshments will be served immediately following the service.

BASEBALL ALUMNI GAME
11 a.m. Baseball game with picnic to follow at the Bob Reed Field

For more information, please contact COACH TRIPP KEISTER at 302-736-2369 or keistetr@wesley.edu

BLUE/WHITE BASKETBALL SCRIMMAGE
Time TBD, Jim and Shirley Wentworth Gymnasium

For more information, please contact COACH JERRY KOBASA at 302-736-2555 or kobassaje@wesley.edu

REUNION GATHERING FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES PROGRAM GRADUATES
1 p.m. - 4 p.m. at the home of Professor Emeritus Terry Higgins and Martha Higgins.

By invitation.

SPECIAL EVENT FOR “GOLDEN GRADS,” WESLEY GRADUATES PRIOR TO CLASS OF 1957
1 p.m. Luncheon at the Schwartz Center for the Arts

Musical entertainment will also be provided. *Free shuttle service will be provided all night from Sheraton Hotel to other area lodging.

Please register for all events by sending back the registration form or register online at:
http://www.wesley.edu/alumni/alumni_connection/homecoming_schedule.html

2006 Hall of Fame Inductions

At Homecoming this fall, the Alumni Association will induct three exemplary individuals into the Wesley College Athletic Hall of Fame. NICKY BENTON ’01, KERRY HORNEY ’94 AND DAVE PETRUCIO ’69 (posthumously) will be recognized for their stellar athletic careers. All are invited to join the Alumni Association in honoring these inductees during the ceremony at the Alumni Dinner on Saturday, October 21.
SPECIAL CLASS REUNIONS
Although all alumni are encouraged to attend the Homecoming 2006 festivities, the following special reunions will be celebrated this fall:

50th Reunion: Class of 1956
35th Reunion: Classes of ’70, ’71 and ’72 (cluster reunion)
25th Reunion: Class of 1981
10th Reunion: Class of 1996
5th Reunion: Class of 2001

In order to ensure that your upcoming reunion is the best possible experience, why not help out as a Reunion Volunteer?

IT’S EASY—the Alumni Office will send you a packet of materials and assist you all along the way. Your personal touch will make all the difference.

IT’S FUN—here’s a great excuse to email or call up your college roommate or friend you haven’t seen in 20 years and encourage him/her to attend the reunion.

IT’S REWARDING—knowing that your involvement resulted in a terrific reunion and a wonderful weekend with your fellow alumni is a great feeling AND there is no greater gift than giving your time to your alma mater.

Please contact AMANDA DOWNES, Director of Alumni Affairs & Parent Relations, at 302-736-2318 or email downesam@wesley.edu.

AREA ACCOMMODATIONS
Hotels in the Dover area are selling out very quickly for the weekend of October 20-22, so please make your reservation today so you can be assured lodging for Homecoming Weekend. For a limited time, blocked rooms will be available at a special rate for alumni at the following hotels (please request the “Wesley College Alumni” group):

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS HOTEL & SUITES: 302-734-0909 / 1-888-755-1450
FAIRFIELD INN & SUITES BY MARRIOTT: 302-677-0900

BOOKMARK THE HOMECOMING WEBPAGE
Stay tuned for more details, updated schedule information and an online registration form coming soon on Wesley’s Homecoming webpage online at: www.wesley.edu/alumni/alumni_connection/homecoming_schedule.html

HOMECOMING 2006 REGISTRATION FORM

Name(s) (as they will appear on nametag):
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Dover, DE 19901
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REGISTRATION DEADLINE: FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2006!
HARRY WARREN and his wife are pleased to report that they have a new grandson. His name is Zachary David Warren and he was born on April 17, 2006. Zachary weighed 7 lbs., 7 oz. and was 19 inches long.

LORETTA ZORN wrote in to say, “Looking forward to hearing from PEGGY PIPER SCHENK, LOIS WATTS MILLER, KIRK MILLER, KAREN NERCESSIAN, KAREN CUTTING, FRED RIPLEY, JIM NELSON, RAY KING, MARTY KOOMAN, SUE DOUGHERTY - how about contacting me at (856)266-3988 (cell) or e-mail at meredithpaving@aol.com - and meet us at Wesley.”

NANCY E. HAMMOND HOWELL and her husband WARREN R. HOWELL would like to let all of their fellow ’73 classmates know that they have now opened The Rose Bed and Breakfast in Calabash, North Carolina. They invite all of their friends from Wesley College to visit them to enjoy the golf and seashore of the Grand Strand Area. You can also check them out on their website: www.therosebandb.com

GEORGE F. FRANKS III writes, “I am the founder and President of Franks Consulting Group, a Bethesda, Maryland management consulting and leadership coaching practice. Our website is: http://franksconsultinggroup.com and my professional blog is: http://consultingandcoaching.blogspot.com”

SUSAN KOSTOPOULOS happily reports, “I am living in sunny Florida, and doing my best to avoid hurricanes and brush fires, with my husband Ted. Gratefully employed as a nurse by the VA in a Mental Health outpatient clinic, hopefully helping our veterans transition back into civilian life. Still have fond memories of Wesley and my friends JOANN, CATHERINE, JANICE, and the rest.”

MARK “BEAR” BANSchBACH writes, “On September 10, 2005, I was admitted into the Secular Franciscan Order. It is a religious order of men and women who follow in the footsteps of St. Francis of Assisi. I also would love to hear from any of the old crew from the school... drop me an email at mrbear37@yahoo.com”

ANDY MACKENZIE and JILL MACKENZIE ’86 write, “Guess what!!!? That’s right. We have moved again. We are now in Michigan. We would love to have old friends visit; especially in the winter. We miss you!” We can be reached at (248) 373-1671 or jmack1925@sbcglobal.net

DAVID GREGORY JEWELL reports that he has been married for 9 years and has 2 children. The Jewell boys are Zachary (6) and Eli (3). David currently lives in Huntersville, North Carolina and owns two Quiznos Sub Restaurants. He writes, “Life is great! I sure would like to hear from some of you from the past so email me or give me a call.” David can be reached at (704) 806-5366 or ghjewell@yahoo.com

LESLEY A. MERRITT and her husband GREGG are proud to announce the birth of their second son, Michael Gregory Merritt. He was brought into the world on January 11, 2006. They now have newborn Michael and 4 year old Nicholas to complete their home! Gregg is self-employed and Lesley works for Commerce Bank as a Vice-President in charge of 10 office locations.
BETH SCHEBEL UBELE would like to invite all of her former friends and classmates to contact her at her new email address - bubele@comcast.net

SUSAN WILKINSON ’92 wrote in to say, “My husband and I are about to celebrate our daughter’s 2nd birthday. Hello to old friends – hope you are all well!”

EDWARD FURMAN ’94 reports that he is currently living in Palmer, Pennsylvania with his wife and twin boys, Jack and Cole, who are 5 years old. Ed would love to hear from old friends and can be contacted at jackcole329@verizon.net

WESLEY ’93 CLASS OF

Celebrating 10 years in business, DEIDRE “ZOE” CLINTON reports that she is the founder of Essential Aesthetics, Inc. and has brought her vision of a total image resources center to Philadelphia. After getting her degree in Fashion Marketing from Wesley, Zoe went on to receive her cosmetology license, graduated from Dell East Music Institute and then received her certification for Look Good Feel Better, a program to help those diagnosed with cancer overcome challenges with their hair, skin, nails and wardrobe. She has also been a featured hair stylist and make-up artist for a variety of films, television programs and commercials, and publications.

In celebration of GINA HAVEY’S bachelorette party, a few of Delta Phi Sigmas founding sisters and the first pledge class gathered in Atlantic City, New Jersey. (Pictured, from left, are: LISA DELLEDONNE BINDER ’93, GINA HAVEY ’93, KELLY HOFF RUDDO ’93, SONYA CARELLI PELNA ’93, KRISTIN SALASIN KANE ’92, DENISE SALASIN SLUK ’94, DAWN BURAK PISCOPIO ’94, LISA PETRACCO VAN DAM ’94. (ANDREA PATERSON CONNOLLEY ’94 AND LAURIE FEHLING NEEL ’94 NOT SHOWN.)

WESLEY ’94 CLASS OF

WENDY DEEMER and husband MIKE DEEMER are pleased to announce the birth of their second son, Matthew David Deemer, born on February 8, 2006. They are also the proud parents of Michael Wesley Deemer, who is now 2 – and was named after his parents’ alma mater.

WESLEY ’95 CLASS OF

RENEE REESER KALE would like to announce the birth of her son, James Judson “JJ”, who arrived on March 9, 2006. Renee, her husband Jud, their daughter Emily (3) and newborn JJ have recently moved to Okinawa, Japan where Jud is stationed with the U.S. Navy. Renee can be contacted via email at jrkale@hotmail.com

WESLEY ’96 CLASS OF

NZINGA PATTERSON CARDWELL wrote in to share her news. “I am a teacher at a Classical Christian Academy teaching Literature and Grammar to 7th-9th graders. I am a proud wife and mother of 3 boys – Jonathan, and twins Caleb and Joshua.”

WESLEY ’97 CLASS OF

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JUSTIN PUGH and his wife, TRACY, are expecting their first baby boy in July. Justin has also recently won the Baltimore County Chamber of Commerce Awards for Excellence in Education. This award is given to only one elementary school teacher in the entire county, based on nominations from students, parents, or colleagues. Justin teaches 4th grade at Pine Grove Elementary and teaches windsurfing during the summer.

DAVID STOCKBRIDGE wrote in to let his former classmates know that he is now living in Denver, Colorado. He has been building golf communities for U.S. Homes/Lennar for the past five years.

HOLLY RHODES WILLEY and husband Scott are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Jorja Nicole Willey. Jorja was born on September 21, 2006. She weighed 7 lbs., 9 oz. and was 20 inches long. Jorja has an older sister named Kassidy.

RACHEL GUARINO ’01 announces her marriage to JOHN DONOVAN on September 30, 2005 in Point Pleasant Beach, New Jersey. Alumni Paige Hughes ’01, Lisa Esposito ’01, and Steven Lovergine ’00 were all in the bridal party. Other Wesley graduates in attendance were D.J. Hammill, Meaghan Connor ’02, Gregory Judge ’99, Timothy Kalick ’99, Michele White ’00, Susan Simon Lindstrom ’00, Justin Hughes ’02 and Cheryl Comegys Pinder ’02. Rachel and John honeymooned in Hawaii and currently reside in Massapequa Park, New York.

Caitlin can be reached at cskyta@hotmail.com

CAITLIN SKYTA GERLING and her husband Steve are proud to announce the birth of their son, Keegan Paul Steven Gerling. Born on April 5, 2006, Keegan was 6 lbs., 10 oz. and 19 inches long. Caitlin can be reached at cskyta@hotmail.com

TOM CLARK has been named operations manager for Precision AirConvey Corp in Newark, Delaware (www.precisionairconvey.com). Tom is responsible for manufacturing, engineering, and product development for the thriving pneumatic conveying systems company. According to CEO Tom Embley, to whom he reports, Tom is expected to play a key role in the company’s continued growth and global expansion.
WESLEY '05 CLASS OF

After graduating from Wesley in May 2005 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Paralegal Studies, JAIME L. PRATER was offered a job as the paralegal to the State Prosecutor for the Delaware Department of Justice, Criminal Division, which she happily accepted. Jaime plans to attend Law School in September 2006 and will attend either Temple University School of Law or Widener University School of Law. After graduating from Law School, she plans to become a Prosecutor with the Delaware Department of Justice in the Criminal Division.

WESLEY '06 CLASS OF

SOPHIA WILLIS proudly reports, “I am excited to share the news of my new long-awaited vegetarian Cafe & Juice Bar, The Energy Bar. The newly renovated space brings a fresh and exciting look to Montclair South End. The Energy Bar offers a delightful selection of wraps, salads, sandwiches, soups, smoothies and fresh juices and customers can take advantage of personal chef services, food preparation classes, customized meal plans, school lunch boxes and catering services. Also available are a variety of activities including social and networking events, family activities, and classes. Join us on July 30th at our 3rd Annual Vegetarian Cook-Out. Please call or check our website for upcoming events and specials. The Energy Bar is located at 307 Orange Road, Montclair, NJ 07042. Phone: (973)746-7003 Website: www.energybarcafe.com”

A Long and Accomplished Career

Dr. Bishoff, Wesley College physician passes at 85

Dr. Rhoslyn Jones “Ross” Bishoff of Dover passed away Monday, February 27, 2006. He was 85. He was born October 12, 1920, son of the late Harry and Hannah (Jones) Bishoff. Fresh from Temple Medical School, Dr. Bishoff served as a physician in the U.S. Army from 1946-1948, stationed in the Philippines. He started his medical practice in Dover on October 2, 1950. He retired in 1995 after delivering 1,361 babies and serving many times that many patients in his office. Dr. Bishoff contributed to both the community and his profession. As a member of the Presbyterian church of Dover, he rose to serve as elder. He served Wesley College as its physician for 23 years. He was an active member of the American Academy of Family Physicians and of the Medical Society of Delaware. He served as president of those organizations in 1966 and 1970, respectively. Even beyond retirement, Dr. Bishoff continues to give himself. He remained active in many committees and made frequent visits to local schools to advocate the prevention of drug use and teen pregnancy. He is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Dorothy (Tyndall) Bishoff; two sons and two daughters-in-law, Steve and Debbie Bishoff, and Mike and Lisa Bishoff; two brothers, Dale Bishoff and Ralph Bishoff; three grandchildren, Emily and Joe Sherman, Tyler Bishoff and Megan Bishoff; and a great-grandson, Grant Sherman.

In Memoriam

CATHERINE RADISH MELSON ’30
LINDA LEE SINCLAIR PRAUL ’60
DAVID S. PETRUNCIO ’69
MARSHA PETERSON ’83
CLARENCE J. BAILEY ’84
JEROME P. KELLY ’84
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ALAN L. O’DAY ’02

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Sign up for Wesley E-News by sending your name, e-mail address and class year to: office@wesley.edu, and say “Sign Me Up!” Please indicate if you would like the Wesley College Newsletter, the Wolverine Sports Weekly, or both.
Good Food and Good Times
Wesley College Descends on Italy

Ciao ed il benvenuto a Italia,” were the words heard by a group of more than 40 Wesley students, faculty, staff, alumni and friends as they arrived in Italy February 27, 2006, on a trip hosted by the History Department as part of a 300-level course entitled Italian History and Culture. The course was taught by Dr. Susanne Fox and Frank Gregory.

Fabrizio Belleni, the Italian tour guide who greeted the Wesley group upon arrival, led the group on a journey through Rome, Assisi, Montecatini, Siena, San Gimignano, Florence and Venice. While in each city, group members spent time viewing the historical places, while also making time to enjoy the superb Italian cuisine.

“Fabrizio was a great tour guide and a really knowledgeable person about his country and culture,” said alumnus Chad Robinson ’05. Student Amanda Bowman added, “Fabrizio told us a lot of little facts as we traveled around that we otherwise would not have known. He was a fun tour guide. I think we taught him as much as he taught us.”

Each traveler found his or her own unique niche. “My favorite city, by far, was Rome because of its beautiful architecture and historic character. While in Rome, I spent every day in Vatican City, just a beautiful little place with a lot to do in a small amount of space. My favorite thing in Rome was climbing the dome inside St. Peter’s Basilica and looking out over the city. It was beautiful,” said Bowman.

“I was amazed by the beauty and grandeur of the Vatican; it was absolutely breathtaking to stand in Saint Peter’s Square and look up. It was even more amazing to see the Sistine Chapel,” said Robinson.

Alumna Julia Robinson ’05 added, “The food was absolutely amazing. You could see the intricacy in each dish, and you knew the time and talent that went into every plate,” Robinson said. “I truly believe you cannot get better food anywhere in the world.”

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All the Comforts of Home, and then Some.

The women’s soccer team has enjoyed a lot of success over the past several years and feels awesome about the addition to their program. Their new state-of-the-art Women’s Soccer Team Room. They recently moved from their existing locker room location to create this incredible new team room. “The purpose of the move is to create a more comfortable environment for our student-athletes, as our program continues to grow”, said Coach Munzt.

Phase one of the three phase project has just been completed, installing custom wooden lockers for the players. These state-of-the-art lockers were custom built and installed by Dains Custom Athletic Lockers, Shell City, Missouri. “DCAL was exactly what we were looking for in a company, the small town approach with the highest quality wooden lockers in the industry”, replied Coach Munzt.

Along with the new custom lockers, you will also see a new flat screen television, a cd/stereo player with speakers, new carpet flooring and the start of renovations to the study area with computers and the restroom facilities. Coach Munzt replied, “We want our players to feel at home in the Team Room. This will be an area to prepare for matches and watch game film, using the computer lab to become quality students or just hang out with teammates”.

With a new season just around the corner, the renovations are set to be completed by late July 2006.

If you would like to make a contribution, please contact Coach Munzt at 302-736-2516.

Wesley Athletes of the Year

T’NEISHA TURNER – FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR certainly demonstrates what we’re talking about, standing tall on the basketball court despite her relatively short 5’5” stature. Enrolling at Wesley as a former All (DC) Metro player, this point and shooting guard will graduate with a degree in sports management next month. With 1,830 points, she is Wesley’s all-time leading scorer in basketball, and the 4th leading scorer this year in NCAA Division III. She also ranked 26th in assists nationally. These terrific numbers led to her selection to the 1st Team All-Conference and as 2005 and 2006 PAC Player of the Year, among many other honors. She also won the PAC Player of the Week Award for an unprecedented six straight weeks. But in addition to these personal successes, as team captain, T’Neisha Turner also helped lead the Wolverines to a 19-9 overall record this spring, as well as to a second consecutive ECAC appearance. After graduation, she plans to become a college coach—“The next best thing to playing,” she says. Congratulations, T’Neisha, on a superb college career, and on a job well done.

MARIO HARRIS – A TWO-SPORT ATHLETE, MALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR was an instrumental part of the football team that had fans standing six- and seven-deep at last fall’s championship games. A two-time Wolverine captain, he was named a first team defensive back by the All American Coaches Association, among many other honors leading Wesley in tackles last season with 113. With eight tackles for a loss of 44 yards, two interceptions and four pass break-ups, he also ranked 28th nationally with five forced fumbles, three block kicks and one recovered fumble. This spring, Wesley started track and field as a club sport, which Mario also excels at. He has finished in the top three in the long jump and triple jump in every meet, with a personal best 23-2 feet in the long jump and 44-8 feet in the triple jump.
Former Wolverines head coaches Bob Andrus and Jim Wentworth, who began their Wesley careers in the 1960s, are the latest Wesley athletics icons to be inducted into the Delaware Sports Hall of Fame. The April 8, 2006 announcement put two of Wesley’s longest-serving and most successful men’s coaches into the nine-person Class of 2006.

“No Wolverine names in that era were bigger than football coach Bob Andrus and men’s basketball coach Jim Wentworth,” said the Delaware State News article reporting the selections.

Both Andrus and Wentworth made their names well before Wesley became a four-year college and entered NCAA Division III. Andrus, who was also a successful Dover High School baseball and football coach—going undefeated in both sports in 1962-- served as head football coach at Wesley for 20 years before retiring in 1990. His teams won the Tri-State Conference championship during his first two seasons. Andrus coached several championship teams for what was then Wesley Junior College, including the 1976 squad that finished second in the nation but had to turn down a bid to the Junior College Rose Bowl for lack of funding.

“There wasn’t a day when I didn’t look forward to going to work,” he says when queried about his most rewarding experience at Wesley. “Being head coach was its own reward. I met some fine young men whom I was privileged to coach.”

Jim Wentworth stepped down in 2001 after 40 years as head men’s basketball coach. He also served as Wesley’s athletic director for 11 years. During Wentworth’s long and memorable career, his teams recorded 502 wins. In 1965-66 the Wolverines, finished 24-3 and were ranked 10th among the nation’s junior colleges. After Wesley moved to Division III, the
them throughout the country. Ten have gone on to coach at the college level, and nine are now high school coaches.

The Jim and Shirley Wentworth Gymnasium was dedicated in December 2000 in his honor.

"Although I had some offers to coach at other colleges, I never wanted to leave Wesley. I've never really regretted my decision," he said at the time of his retirement. "I attended a junior college myself, and a lot of people there really influenced my life. I felt as though I were returning something that was given to me."

"When you think Wesley football and basketball, you think of these two guys first," said Mike Drass, athletic director and head football coach. "Coach Andrus was here 20 years, and Coach Wentworth (for) 40 years. That's a lot of heart and soul they poured into these programs."

She's a Winner  Robin Smith wins 2006 Wentworth Award

SGA President Robin Smith '07 of Washington, D.C., a senior, is the 2006 winner of the Wentworth Award, presented annually to the man or woman who exemplifies the ideals of Shirley Wentworth—hard work, a charitable spirit and genuine caring for the well being of other individuals. The late Mrs. Wentworth was the wife of former Wesley men's basketball coach Jim Wentworth. She was actively involved in the men's program for more than 40 years, despite battling cancer near the end of her life.

A standout on and off the basketball court, Smith holds a 3.6 grade point average in business administration and served as tri-captain and standout center on the Lady Wolverines basketball squad, where she scored more than 1,000 career points.

In addition, she has been active as Campus Community High School cheerleading coach, a vice-president of membership of Alpha Phi Omega and a member of Gospel Choir.

After graduation in December 2007, Smith plans graduate study in international marketing and foreign languages.

Alumni gather for a quick photo before hitting the green during the Annual Football Golf Classic held at Jonathan's Landing in Magnolia, Delaware.
It’s aWrap
The 2005-2006 Season end Wrap Up for Wesley Sports

Golf
The Wesley College golf team finished atop the Pennsylvania Athletic Conference (PAC) for the 8th consecutive year, winning the conference championship by shooting a team total of 609 at Center Valley Country Club in Bethlehem, PA. Wesley had four of five golfers earn 1st Team All-Conference honors, while 16th year head coach Rick McCall took home the Coach of the Year honor. Wesley’s Riley Powers (SO, Allenwood, NJ/Wall) took medalist honors shooting a two-day total of 149 (73-76), while Will Scarborough (SO, Dover, DE/Dover) fired a 150 (75-75) to finish in second place. Tyler Smith (JR, Dover, DE/Dover) shot a 154 (78-76) to take fourth place and Ray Cook (SO, Seaford, DE/Seaford) shot a pair of 79’s for a 158 and a 5th place finish. Mike Rushin (SO, Bartonsville, PA/Pocono Mountain) also shot a 158 (77-81), placing him on 2nd Team All-Conference.

Besides winning the conference crown, Wesley took first place honors at the Franklin & Marshall Invitational and the Wesley Invitational in 2006. At the Wesley Invitational held at Wild Quail Golf and Country Club, Smith shot a 5-under par 67 (34-33) to take medalist honors. Wesley shot a team total of 289 to finish 3 strokes better than 2nd place Newport News.

All five Wesley golfer’s shot in the 70’s as Powers and Cook shot a 76 (37-39) and 79 (43-36) respectively to finish out for the Wolverines.

The Wolverines will look to continue their dominance of the PAC and finish their tenure in the conference with a 9th consecutive conference championship and will play as an independent once Wesley begins play in the Capital Athletic Conference. Wesley returns their top-6 golfers from the season.

Women’s Lacrosse
(5-9 Overall, 4-6 PAC)
Head women’s lacrosse coach Meagan DiCave entered her second season with the Wolverine women’s lacrosse program with a revamped roster in 2006. Wesley’s roster included twelve freshman and three first year players being represented on the roster of twenty-two players. Lauren Owens (FR, Maple Shade, NJ/Camden Catholic) led Wesley in seven offensive categories in her rookie campaign, posting 40 goals, 7 assists, 47 points, 42 groundballs and a .506 shooting percentage. Brittany Block (SO, Oceanside, NY/Oceanside) posted 22 goals for Wesley and was the second leading point scorer with 27. Becky Scott (SR, D, Marlton, NJ/Cherokee) was named 2nd team All-PAC after collecting 27 groundballs on the season and causing 27 turnovers. Owens was an honorable mention selection, while Jillian Tracy(SO, D, Lancaster, PA/J.P. McCaskey) was named to the “Push the Rock” All-PAC Sportsmanship Team.

Men’s Lacrosse
(10-6 Overall, 5-2 PAC)
Wesley College won 10 games for the first time since the 2000 season and made their 8th straight appearance into the conference tournament. Wesley was well represented for postseason honors, placing 10 members onto the 2006 All-Pennsylvania Athletic Conference (PAC) Team. Leading the way for Wesley were 1st Team selections Justin Thompson (SO, M, Pasadena, MD/Neatsoast), Joe Monroe (FR, M, Newton Square, PA/Marlboro) and Glenn Gale (FR, D, Swarthmore, PA/Ridley). Mike DiFede (JR, A, Ridge, NY/Longwood), Chris Cavaliere (FR, M, Ridley Park, PA/Ridley), Kirk Waldie (FR, D, Folsum, PA/Ridley) and Jim McCleaf (SO, GK, Brookhaven, PA/Sun Valley) were all named to the 2nd Team. Dean Evans (SO, A, Morningside, NJ/Morningside) and Mike Dietrich (SR, M, Smithsburg, MD/Smithsburg) were honorable mention and Chris Sparks (SR, D, Crofton, MD/South River) was named to the “Push the Rock” All-PAC Men’s Lacrosse Sportsmanship Team.

Thompson played in all 16 games for Wesley, posting a balanced attack scoring 17 goals and 14 assists. Monroe, who also played in all 16 games, added 5 goals and 4 assists, while picking up 99 groundballs on the season. Gale was a consistent part of the Wolverine defense that helped keep opponent to a 7.62 goals average. DiFede led the Wolverine offense posting 39 goals, 5 assists, 36 groundballs and 44 points on the season. Greg Taylor (FR, Newark, DE/Netwark) and Kenny Guveskas (SO, Pasadena, MD/Northeast) each were second on
Wesley and Cabrini College led the league with All-Conference selections with 10 apiece.

**Baseball**

**(23-19 Overall, 12-9 PAC)**

H ead baseball coach Tripp Keister entered his 1st season with the Wesley College baseball program, leading Wesley to the second most wins in school history with 23 and first conference tournament berth since 2001. The resurgence of the Wesley baseball program was in large part to the 2006 Pennsylvania Athletic Conference (PAC) Coach of the Year. Keister brought a wealth of playing, coaching and scouting experience to the Wesley diamond, quickly putting his stamp on Wesley and throughout the conference. Wesley placed five members on the 2006 All-PAC Baseball Team, with Keister being named the Coach of the Year. “I am very honored that I was chosen as Coach of the Year. This is obviously an honor that is indicative of the hard work of many people, assistant coaches, players and administrative staff, to name a few,” commented Coach Keister. “The 2006 Wesley College Baseball team exceeded many people’s expectations after winning just eight games last year and I am extremely proud to be associated with this group.”

Ryan Buckland (SO, Middletown, DE/Caravel), Jordan Smith (SR, Harrington, DE/Lake Forest), Sean Quick (SR, West Deptford, NJ/West Deptford) and Shane Mitchell (FR, Harrington, DE/Lake Forest) were all named to the 2nd team, while Dan Bunnion (SO, Blackwood, NJ/H Brigantine Regional) was named honorable mention. Quick was also named to the All-PAC Sportsmanship Team. “This is a nice reward for our player’s hard work. These player’s are very deserving and I could not be happier for them. I felt these player’s deserved post-season honors and obviously other coaches around the league felt the same way,” added Coach Keister.

Buckland, who led the Wesley pitching staff with 7 wins, appeared in 12 games, pitching 60 1/3 innings, giving up 59 hits and striking out 58 batters, while having a 3.58 earned run average on the year. Buckland held opposing hitter’s to a .241 average. Smith and Quick were both selected as 2nd team infielders. Smith led the Wolverines in hitting (.346), at-bats (133), hits (46), homeruns (4), total bases (69) and slugging percentage (.519), while also tying for the team-lead in doubles with 11. Quick was right behind Smith batting .344 on year, with 29 runs scored, 7 doubles and stealing 16 bases on the season. Quick was also named to the All-PAC Sportsmanship Team.

**Softball**

**(12-28 Overall, 9-13 PAC)**

K elly Caton (SO, OF, Eastampton, NJ/Eastampton) was named to the 2006 1st Team All-Pennsylvania Athletic (PAC) Softball Team to lead the Wesley honors in 2006. Caton, who was a 2nd team selection in her rookie campaign, played and started in all 40 games for Wesley as she posted a .308 batting average and also led the team in triples with 5. Caton was equally impressive in the field committing only 1 error on the season, posting a .986 fielding percentage.

Jessica Morgan (SO, UT, New Castle, DE/St. Mark’s), who was also named to the 2006 Louisville Slugger/National Fastpitch Coaches Association (NFCA) Division III 2nd Team All-East Region, was a 2nd Team All-PAC selection. Morgan, who was a Player of the Year candidate, only led the conference in hitting (.505), RBI’s (44) and total bases (109), while finishing second overall in runs scored (28) and homeruns (11). Morgan also posted a slugging percentage of .982. Mary O’Donnell (SR, IF, Novato, CA/Marin Catholic) was named to the “Push the Rock” All-PAC Sportsmanship Team.

**Men’s Tennis**

**(7-4 Overall, 4-4 PAC)**

T he men’s tennis team had its 10th consecutive winning season by posting a 7-4 overall mark in 2006. Ryan Fish (FR, Eastampton, NJ/Eastampton) led Wesley in single’s wins going 7-4 at #2 singles, while posting a 6-4 record at #2 doubles with partner Andrew Smyth (FR, Delran, NJ/Delran). Smyth and Ken Reilly (SO, M attituck, NY/Mattituck) both posted 6-5 single’s records. Reilly and Adrian Parkes (SR, Bilston, UK/Mosely Park) were 6-4 at #1 doubles.
In the conference tournament, Wesley had all 6 singles players lose in the quarter-final round of the Pennsylvania Athletic Conference (PAC) Men's Tennis Tournament. The #3 doubles team of Dan Jones (SO, Frederica, DE/Lake Forest) and Luke Melillo (FR, Ocean City, NJ/Seaville) defeated Mark Randall and Dan Ballard of Gwynedd-Mercy College by a final score of 8-6. Jones and Melillo faced Cabrini College's John Casparro and Bill Mariano, falling to the Cavalier team in the semifinal round by a final score of 8-2.

Passwaters No-Hitter
John Passwaters (SO, Bridgeville, DE/Lenoir-Rhyne) pitched a no-hitter in Wesley's 10-0 conference win over College Misericordia, on Saturday, April 1st, 2006 at Bob Reed Field in Dover, DE. Passwater's pitched 7 innings, striking out 5 and faced only two batters over the minimum in the game. The no-hitter thrown by Passwaters, was the first no-hitter since T.R. Cannon threw a no-hitter for Wesley in 1992.

"Off the Court and Beyond the Field"

NCAA Grants Enhance Scholar-Athlete Resources
Wesley College received two grants to build leadership and academic skills of student-athletes from the National College Athletic Association in 2005-2006. Both are expected to have an ongoing positive impact, according to President Miller.

The NCAA grants funded student athlete leaders' workshops to help them process and develop ideas to best market this information to their peers, fellow students and the whole campus community. An additional leadership workshop was conducted with Matt Driver, author of Coaching Dynamics and assistant soccer coach for the 2002 MLS cup champion New England “Revolution.” A former professional soccer player in the United Kingdom, Germany and the U.S and a well respected coach, he is nationally recognized as a soccer clinician.

"By enhancing the leadership skills of student-athletes, we hope that they can exert a greater positive influence on the entire student body while better preparing themselves for future leadership roles after graduation," said Head Coach Steve Clark, a member of the grant writing team.

The first grant, "Off the Court and Beyond the Field", targets student-athlete leaders and seeks to extend their leadership skills beyond the athletic realm. This funding underwrote a one day workshop to strengthen and enhance their presentation and leadership skills and to provide training in workshop-facilitation. The latter prepared student-athletes to lead discussions and campus-wide forums on the importance of physical, emotional, social and academic health.

The second initiative, "The Campus that Cares", strives to create foundational building blocks for student athletes. The College Nursing Department, under the guidance of Chairman Lucille Gambardella, assisted in developing the workshops to brief student-athlete leaders on a variety of issues including campus violence, sexually transmitted diseases and substance abuse. Wesley nursing students conducted the seminars.

Graduate student Nitan Soni, who assisted the athletic department in the coordination of the program, noted “Our nursing students and representatives from each of our sports teams embraced their work.

“The message regarding leadership and acceptance of responsibility helped galvanize many of the group through their research and presentations.”

In April 2006 the student athletes conducted presentations to fellow Wesley students in a packed Wells Theatre and were rewarded with great applause for their efforts.

“I’ve learned a lot about the leadership role we have on campus,” said Wesley quarterback Chris Warrick ’06 of Exton, PA.

“I was a little nervous during the leadership fair, but it went great and we had 30 student-athletes who worked all semester to make it a success,” said Wesley Football All-American Free Safety Mario Harris ’06 of Annapolis, MD.

“I believe the NCAA Grant Program has been a tremendous success on our campus,” said Wesley Athletic Director Mike Drass.

“Our student-athletes were able to learn positive leadership skills and then pass on what they learned to other students. Our athletic department looks forward to our continued involvement with this program,” he added. Further workshops to reach the Class of 2006-2007 and beyond are planned.
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