**Briefings**

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**Entering class includes record number of international students**

The DePauw community this fall welcomed 747 new students – one of the largest entering classes in the University’s 172-year history. The group includes 721 first-year students, 15 transfer students and 11 international exchange students. The new students come from 31 states and 24 countries, and they include 81 international students, the largest number in DePauw’s history.

**DePauw’s graduation rate is fifth highest in the nation**

DePauw has one of the highest graduation rates among America’s institutions of higher education, according to a new national report. “Diplomas and Dropouts: Which Colleges Actually Graduate Their Students (and Which Don’t)” was prepared for the American Enterprise Institute on Public Policy based on data from the U.S. Department of Education. It found that DePauw’s graduation rate of 81 percent is the fifth highest in the nation among “very competitive” schools, and it is number two in the Midwest.

**DePauw and the University of Notre Dame are the only two Indiana colleges to place in the national top 10 list.**

**WGRE is the number four college radio station in the country**

WGRE, DePauw's student-managed, award-winning FM radio station, is once again ranked among the top 10 college radio stations in the country. The Princeton Review, in its 2009 issue of Best 366 Colleges, lists WGRE as the number four college radio station in the nation. WGRE has been ranked among the top 10 college radio stations for the past 10 years.

**WGRE was the nation's first FCC-licensed educational station when it began broadcasting (then at 10 watts) on April 25, 1949. With a staff of more than 200 DePauw students, WGRE now broadcasts 24 hours a day during the academic year.**

**Visitors coming to campus**

**Peter T. Allen ’67**, president of Peter Allen & Associates, will give a McDermond Center Lecture on Oct. 29.

**Ron Carlson**, renowned author of 10 books of fiction, will appear in conjunction with ArtsFest 2009: Art & Power and as part of the James & Marilou Kelly Writers Series on Nov. 5.

**Howard Dean**, who recently completed a four-year term as chairman of the Democratic National Committee, and **Kad Rove**, former chief political adviser to President George W. Bush, will give the Timothy and Sharon Ubien Lecture on Sept. 11. They will engage in a debate of “America in 2009: Challenges and Opportunities.”

**Jonathan C. Dill ’87**, chief financial officer and partner with Ampac Packaging, will give a McDermond Center Lecture on Sept. 17.

**Dr. David Fraser**, co-discoverer of Legionnaire’s disease and a pioneer in the teaching of public and global health to undergraduates, will give the DePauw Global Health Initiative Lecture on Sept. 22.

**Angie R. Hicks ’95**, founder and chief marketing officer of Angie’s List, will give the Robert C. McDermond Honorary Lecture on Oct. 27.

**Thomas M. Kominsky ’03** and **Lindsay L. Schultz ’02**, will give a McDermond Center Lecture on Oct. 29.

**Recent visitors to campus**


**Record number of graduating seniors commit to Teach for America**

Nineteen members of DePauw’s Class of 2009 committed to Teach For America (TFA) for the next two years – a new record that exceeds 2007’s total by four. In addition, a record 25 DePauw seniors were accepted for TFA. With about 4 percent of its graduating seniors entering TFA, DePauw is among the nation’s strongest contributors to the program.

A total of 70 DePauw students – 13.6 percent of the senior class – applied to Teach For America. That percentage slightly exceeded Ivy League participation rates. Among small colleges (2,999 or fewer undergraduates), only Barnard College (21) and College of the Holy Cross (20) had more graduating seniors commit to TFA than DePauw.

**Teach For America is the national corps of outstanding recent college graduates of all academic majors who commit two years to teach in urban and rural public schools and become lifelong leaders in ensuring educational equity and excellence for all children.**

**Student news highlights**

**Sophomores Anthony M. Baratta and Taylor M. Cantril**, both members of the DePauw Environmental Policy Project (DEPP), were among 5,000 government representatives who gathered in Bonn, Germany, from June 1-12 for the United Nations Climate Change Talks. The Bonn conference was the second of six major negotiation sessions leading up to a final meeting in Copenhagen in December 2009. The agreement that emerges from the Copenhagen meeting will ultimately replace the Kyoto Protocol, which expires at the end of 2012. The two DePauw students also hope to travel to Copenhagen to participate in the completion of the negotiations.

**Seniors Nicole C. Crazer and Tia M. Malcom** are 2009-10 recipients of the Martha Weddell Nicholson Scholarship, which is awarded to rising senior female students who plan to pursue a career in science, medical school or other gradu-
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are degree in science; maintain a high cumulative grade point average in their science major; and are involved in extracurricular activities.

Media Fellows gain valuable firsthand experience through internships at top media organizations. Media Fellows and their internship sites this fall include juniors Lacey M. Berkshire, C-SPAN, Washington, D.C.; Erin C. Luck, Epic Records, New York City; Jack M. Simon, Thintersew, Munich, Germany; and Elaine S. Werd, Brandtly Ltd., Ever Worth, Texas.

Senior John R. Herrick was named one of the top 20 college sports broadcasters in the country by Sportscasters Talent Agency of America (STAA). Herrick, who has served as sports director of student radio station WGRS, broadcasts football, basketball, baseball, and softball, and hosts the sports-talk program, The Sports Reporters.

Two DePauw students, freshman Peter J. Meyer and sophomore Bridget C. Parker, were selected for the National Science Foundation grant creates Julian Scholarships

Regional high school science scholars with their sights set on becoming first-generation college students will benefit from a new program at DePauw, made possible by a National Science Foundation grant. NSF awarded $552,000 to the University to support the Percy Lavon Julian Scholarship program. Through the end of the 2012-13 academic year, DePauw will select Julian Scholars from high schools in counties surrounding the Greencastle campus (Clay, Hendricks, Montgomery, Morgan, Owen, Parke and Putnam counties) and from Indianapolis. The scholarships will complete a package of tuition, books, travel, room and board for students to attend DePauw.

Faculty news highlights


Istvan Csicsery-Ronay Jr., professor of English, is managing editor of a new publication, Humanimalia, a refereed and selective online journal of human-animal interface study. He also edits Science Fiction Studies, which is published at DePauw.

Robert F. Dewey, assistant professor of history, was elected a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society (RHS) in Great Britain. Dewey was honored for his recently published book, British National Identity and Opposition to Membership of Europe, 1961-63: The Anti-Marketisers. Election to fellowship status is conferred on individuals who have made "an original contribution to historical scholarship in the form of significant published work.


Oren rush G. Smith, professor of music and music director of the DePauw University Bands, was selected as one of four Division III Players to Watch. D3football.com ranks DePauw number 25 in its preseason poll.

College Football Special Edition. The Tigers are the top-ranked Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference team, and the publication cites DePauw senior quarterback Spud Dick as one of four Division III Players to Watch. D3football.com ranks DePauw number 25 in its preseason poll.

Matt Walker '99, head football coach for the past three seasons and head baseball coach since 2000, resigned on Aug. 7. Bobby Long, assistant football coach and defensive coordinator, was appointed the Tigers' interim head coach. An assistant coach at DePauw since 2004, Long received a bachelor's degree from the University of Illinois, where he was a three-year football letterman. Jake Martin, who served as DePauw's assistant baseball coach for the last six seasons, was named interim head baseball coach.

For the fourth consecutive year, HDNet will present a national telecast of the battle for the Monon Bell, and once again alumni will gather for telecast parties across the nation. The 2009 game between the Tigers and Wabash Little Giants is scheduled on Saturday, Nov. 14, at 1 p.m. at Blackstock Stadium. Heading into the 116th Monon Bell Classic, the historic rivalry is tied at 53-53-9 following DePauw's 36-14 win last year.