DeSales University becomes Greenfield University amid change in presidency

By Jess Kidding
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A change in presidency comes with a change in name for the institution. On March 21, the Board of Trustees elected Rev. James J. Greenfield, OSFS to be the University’s fourth president, he requested that DeSales University be renamed to Greenfield University.

“We were Allentown College of St. Francis de Sales, then DeSales University and now Greenfield University of St. Francis de Sales. We couldn’t be more excited about the transition,” said Mary Paul, upcoming administrative assistant to the president. “This University is moving in an excellent direction already.”

The new change stems from the confusion between La Salle University and DeSales University. Tired of living in the shadows, Greenfield made the executive decision to stand out from the crowd and become a big name school that is clearly distinct from La Salle.

Students are left confused with news of name and mascot change. Photo courtesy of “High School Musical”

“He believes it will be good for us. As an alumnus, he’s aware of the difficulties the institution has faced. Being Allentown College in the middle of Center Valley was contradictory, and now we have the La Salle versus DeSales debacle. Greenfield University is short, sweet and crystal clear. Of course changing the name will be costly, but in the long run, it will be beneficial,” said Paul.

“We definitely don’t have the money for a rebranding in our budget,” said Martin Dough, director of financial aid. “The money will have to come from the students.”

Tuition is expected to increase by $5,000 per student in order to cover the costs of new signs, new advertisements, new uniforms, the athletic teams and much more.

While everything is changing, Greenfield decided on a new mascot as well. Rather than being Bulldogs, the University will become Wildcats.

“I’m personally extremely excited to be a Wildcat rather than a Bulldog. Wildcats are fierce,” said junior soccer player Troy Danforth. “I have no doubts that our new ferocity will be present on the field. I see many MAC Championships in Greenfield University’s future. That’s the way we do it. Let’s get to it, time to show the world.”

However, not all the students share Danforth’s enthusiasm.

“I’m very concerned with how I’m going to stay at the University with the rise in tuition costs. I’m also afraid of the overabundance of potatoes in the DUC; due to a mistake in inventory, there are now an extra 400 potatoes that cannot possibly made into PotatoNet has already been installed in Welsh. So far, there have been no remarks about the change in strength of the WiFi signal. Photo by Phil McCrackin

“Greenfield” continued on Page 2.

Police breaks up St. Patrick’s Day party, finds a leprechaun

By Karrie Oli
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Once upon a freezing Friday night, a lucky four-leaf clover was buried under a foot of snow. Students clad with green walked right by it, the party, never knowing it was there.

This was not the “luck o’ the Irish” kind of night.

At approximately 11:00 p.m. on St. Patrick’s Day, campus PD busted into Finnegan, the more Irish sounding of the two villas, to break up a party featuring your typical green beer and the cheapest vodka college students can afford.

“The cops took our names and now I have to pay a fine plus complete community service for underage drinking,” said sophomore Al Cohollo.

“The party was definitely worth it though. Everyone who’s anyone was there, he adds.

Sources confirm that yes, everyone was there, except the other 1,500 plus undergraduate students at the University.

“The party was lit,” said one of the officers Paul Ice. “It was a shame we had to bust the party, but I managed to swipe some delicious guacamole on the way out.”

Outside of Finnegan, the police saw a short man with red hair, a beard and a green sequined top hat prancing around the grassy fields.

“He did not look like a student, so we decided to “Party” continued on Page 2.

WiFi routers to be replaced with potatoes

By Phil McCrackin
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After a first-time collaboration between the IT Department and Sodexo, the decision has been made to replace the WiFi routers in most of the buildings on campus with whole, raw potatoes.

“I mean, you can make a light bulb or a battery with potatoes,” said director of IT Kirsten Swore. “Something about the potato juice and a penny and science. Anyway, it should be the same deal with a WiFi signal.”

Replacing the routers with potatoes will cut down on costs, which is something that DeSales desperately needs since there are plans in the works for six additional statues on campus, and they’re not going to pay for themselves. These statues will include St. Francis de Sales’s lesser known companions, James de Pantal, Grain de Slantal, and Bob of France.

Other statues will keep with the modern art theme of already existing statues on campus. One addition will be titled “Extra Ecclesiastical nullus salus;” the statue will be just a platform, and nothing else.

Not only will this replacement help with costs, but it will also give use to the overabundance of potatoes.
Massive snowstorm hits DeSales, school still open

By Ty Coon  
Staff Writer

As many students at DeSales are already aware, a massive snowstorm ripped through the Lehigh Valley this past week, dumping several feet of snow onto the area.

First reported by Channel 96 News, the snowstorm hit last Monday night, leading many students to believe that they would have a day off Tuesday, filled with rest, sledding and, perhaps most dangerously, fun. However, classes were held, as expected Tuesday, despite there being so much snow that yetis (who were previously thought to be extinct in the Lehigh Valley) snatched up students frudging to class.

Several students are still missing, but unlike the rest of the DeSales student population, they at least had the benefit of not having to attend classes last week.

With the snow still falling rapidly Tuesday night, students once again were hopeful of having a day off Wednesday. At that point, the high rate of snow had made first floor entry and exit of buildings impossible.

“We are aware of the current situation where students are unable to leave their residence halls because of the high level of snowfall. Ladders and ramps are being constructed at this moment, so as to solve the problem. As of now, we play an opening school tomorrow and being fully operational,” the email from Tuesday night read.

Once again, school was still open Wednesday, despite some of the local colleges shutting down indefinitely. This was partly because the snowfall was so high that students were being swallowed up whole, into the several feet of accumulated white powder. However, DeSales remained open, as the top of the Jesus statue on campus, was not yet fully covered.

Come Wednesday night, students were so disheartened about school never being cancelled, that when the temperature suddenly rose to 75 degrees on Thursday (as is typical in this area), the subsequent flooding looked like their last hope.

In the span of a few hours, all of the snow melted, making the entire Lehigh Valley resemble a half filled fishbowl, with water levels reaching several feet. Always prepared to have class, DeSales distributed boats, canoes and swimmies amongst their student body. Students that could not paddle or swim were appropriately marked absent.

“We feel that the education of our students is of utmost importance, here at DeSales University. So, very much like the motto of the U.S. postman, we will have class come rain, snow, sleet, or hail. I just like to think the postal service forgot the part about yetis,” explains another officer.

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After chasing the leprechaun around Labuda to Trexler and circling the Jesus statue approximately six times, the chase continued across the wide-open space of the McShea Mall.

“The police continued to do a sweep of the Mall and found a black pot. It was heavy when the police picked it up. We thought it was filled with a gold,” said Veer. “A Saint Patrick’s Day miracle.”

However, upon opening the lid, they discovered black hunks of coal.

“Wrong holiday, again!” shouted Land. The leprechaun has been causing havoc on campus for the past two weeks now by putting extra bacon on students’ cheeseburgers, adding money to students’ Paw Bucks accounts and slipping candy into backpacks.

Sightings of the leprechaun should be reported to campus PD immediately. The mayhem must be stopped.

Students are dressing like leprechauns in order to con campus PD and keep the leprechaun from getting caught while also trying to find the end of the rainbow. Photo courtesy of DeSales University Instagram
Where’s the pizza and why is college like part high school part two?

By Dumm Boe
Staff Writer

I hated high school. Those were the least worthwhile years of my life. Four years of people telling me what to do and what work I had to get done. I just couldn’t care less. So I was really looking forward to this college thing; I was told that’s what came next. I was all for it, anything to get me out of stupid high school.

But get this! You know all that stuff from high school you had to do? The stuff with the writing, the numbers and the old dead people? They make you learn that stuff here too! I thought I finished school and now I have to do more school? They should call college “School 2: Here’s more school.”

Now to be fair, when my mom told me about college, I didn’t really know what it was and I thought it was another stupid chore. But I heard there might be pizza here, and I do like places that have pizza. But that was a big old lie. Because college went something like this:

1. I showed up. There was no pizza.
2. They made me sit in a room with some person without pizza.
3. I went outside and while there was pizza there, I was still mad.
4. They told me to go learn geometry, which has shapes that remind me of a pizza pie but still no pizza.

I remember one time, I had this great day planned, I was going to wake up, play Horizon Zero Dawn and eat nachos. I was having a good time and then my roommate came in and told me I had missed a chemistry exam today. Which wasn’t even true, I took one of those years ago. Why did I have to take another one? That’s what makes college so confusing. All of these things I have to do, but I don’t want to do them.

I would only take a chemistry exam if there was a circus outside and the only way to get into the circus was to take a chemistry exam and if you didn’t take the chemistry exam, you have to pay like $1,000 to get into the circus.

And this was a good circus too; they still had elephants so you know it was a good one. That would be a great college. I think that colleges should be more like circuses, with cotton candy and people walking on high ropes. That would make a good college.

But in conclusion, college is a place where I was told that I would grow and become a better adult. But I thought they were being sarcastic, you know, like an adult. But they weren’t being sarcastic, and that’s just the worst. So now I’m stuck here until my Mom picks me up. I hope she does soon, because she gives me pizza sometimes.

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From the Editor’s desk...

Since my freshman year, I have heard so many students say that “minstrel” sounds like “menstrual,” and decided it was time for students to get their wish with our annual April Fool’s edition.

First, you should know that our newspaper The Minstrel refers to a medieval historical minstrel, which is a traveling storytelling, singer, performer or poet. Renaming The Minstrel, The Menstrual is always suggested at April Fool’s meetings and gets shut down. Maybe because menstruation is a taboo topic, but it really shouldn’t be. It’s normal and natural. It’s the women’s body preparing for a pregnancy, so let’s be honest, the uterus is a pretty impressive organ.

DeSales’ student body is 57 percent female, so over half of our classmates have their periods each month, and over half the population too.

Yet even the media aren’t comfortable with talking about it. They show pretty blue liquid being dropped onto pads, and happy beautiful women skydiving and running marathons. Where are the women suffering from cramps, body aches, anxiety, period pimples and junk food cravings?

Where are the realistic portrayals of periods?

During each menstruation cycle, women’s hormone levels are constantly changing by increasing and decreasing estrogen, progesterone and testosterone. It’s a more complex process than one would think and these changes have affects on the mood as well.

The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists estimates that 85 percent of women experience at least one PMS symptom each month. So don’t call a woman a “bitch” and say “it’s probably that time of the month” because women are going through a lot. Some women face mild to severe depressive symptoms five to eleven days before their cycles start as well.

I’m not exactly sure where this stigma against periods started and when women were taught not to talk about their bodies’ natural processes, but it’s important to start talking about it, so I’m starting the conversation here.

Only I would write my April Fool’s letter on something serious. But I hope you get many laughs out of this issue of The Menstrual. (Check out our editor titles and corresponding pictures in the staff list).

I always love the April Fool’s editions and they are a lot of fun to create. Each year, it is our most popular edition, and I must admit that it slightly offends me that our fake news is more popular than our real news, but hey, we all need a good laugh sometimes.

Peace, love & DeSales,
Kellie Dietrich
Editor-in-Chief
“Moonlight” gives Oscar back to “La La Land”

By Anna Sassin  Staff Writer

It wasn’t a case of mistaking the fine print. Warren Beatty was right in his little mix-up, after all.

According to Warren Beatty, the actor who originally confused “Moonlight” and “La La Land” for the winner of the Academy Awards’ Best Picture, it turns out that “La La Land” truly was the film that won the award after all.

“I was kind of confused for a minute, and then I realized,” he said in a statement Sunday, referring to the cast and crew of “Moonlight”.

The cause of this second switcheroo was, no surprise, thanks to the senile Beatty. Apparently the actor, best known for portraying Clyde Barrow in the 1967 film “Bonnie and Clyde,” had made a true envelope in his back pocket all along. No one had noticed during the chaos, including Beatty himself, and it wasn’t until only two weeks ago that he was able to dry-clean his tux and found the card in his pants pocket.

“Once again, I apologize for any confusion,” he said. “I’m happy to announce that ‘La La Land’ is the true winner for Best Picture.”

The announcement was made on Hollywood Boulevard, just outside the Dolby Theatre.

Duel almost never got to watch the movie at all when he found out that the movie was good. He later asked his roommate, his RA and his professor about the movie only to get the same response.

“I started to wonder if anyone has actually even seen this movie before,” said Frankie Duel.

He went back on to Amazon to see the user reviews, only to see that everyone was citing the fact that it was ranked the best film of all time by the American Film Institute (AFI).

To see this mystery though to the end, he reached out to all of the AFI voters to get an explanation. Out of the 1,500 that voted, only a dozen ended up responding to Duel. They were all variations on the same answer of “I haven’t seen it myself but everyone else voted it number one, so it must be true.”

It was at that moment that Duel realized that he was the first person on Earth to actually watch the film.

“It was kind of like finding out that you’ve been living in The Twilight Zone,” explained Duel. He felt that it was his duty as the first person to watch the movie to finally spread the word about it.

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First person on Earth watches “Citizen Kane,” deems it “okay”

By Bob L. Head  Staff Writer

After years of hearing the universal acclaim, senior Frankie Duel finally decided to take the time and to watch the classic 1941 film “Citizen Kane.”

Often considered one of the greatest films of all-time, the Orson Welles directed film examines the life of newspaper tycoon Charles Foster Kane as reporters try to figure out the meaning of his last word.

“Considering all of the hype I’ve heard about it, I was ready excited to give it a watch” explained Duel.

Duel almost never got to watch it as he started to panic when he found out that the movie was not available on Netflix.

Explaining his dilemma, Duel commented, “When I saw that it wasn’t on Netflix, I didn’t know what to do. What else was I supposed to do, actually go out in public and buy a copy?”

His social anxiety was spared when he found out he could rent it digitally through Amazon, though the first warning signals had already gone off in his head. Since all of his favorites are on Netflix like Adam Sandler’s “The Cobbler,” “The Human Centipede 3” and “White Chicks,” he questioned, if it’s not on Netflix, is it really a legitimate movie?

Nevertheless, he paid his rental fee and gave it a spin.

When the movie started, Duel was initially put off by the black-and-white presentation of the movie.

“I don’t do black and white, these movies are always so boring,” he said. “I was kind of confused watching it, but overall it wasn’t that bad.”

Duel mentioned that he was very weird that the main character died in the opening scene of the movie and that seeing his life after the fact was pointless.

“If he was already dead, then what was the point of watching?”

He said that he didn’t really get the whole “Rosebud” thing, so he wanted to talk about the movie with friends to further clarify. The next day he asked his friends about it at lunch, but all of them responded that they had never seen the movie before. They had only heard that the movie was good. He later asked his roommate, his RA and his professor about the movie only to get the same response.

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Magical, accurate, extremely detailed personal horoscopes for YOU

By Kenya Knot
Staff Writer

Aries
March 21–April 19
You’re probably stressed about something that you think is important. You’ll be fine, most likely. I’m not really sure.

Taurus
April 20–May 20
You’ll find something cool today. I’m not sure what it is, but it’s bound to be great. Good luck finding whatever it is.

Gemini
May 21–June 20
Your friends will be nice today, as per usual. Nothing new here. Carry on.

Cancer
June 21–July 22
You are wearing clothes. Keep wearing them in the future.

Leo
July 23–Aug. 22
You’ll listen to music. I don’t know what kind. The music kind. Stop getting so specific.

Virgo
Aug. 23–Sept. 22
You’re probably excited about something. Keep being excited for the thing you’re excited about.

Libra
Sept. 23–Oct. 22
You’ll eat some type of food today. Maybe a full meal. Enjoy that.

Scorpio
Oct. 23–Nov. 21
You’ll probably visit a bathroom at some point today. Don’t quote me on that, but I’m feeling confident about it.

Sagittarius
Nov. 22–Dec. 21
You will use technology today. Like a phone. You will use a phone today.

Capricorn
Dec. 22–Jan. 19
I sense that you’ll sleep tonight. In a bed. Sleep tight.

Aquarius
Jan. 20–Feb. 18
You will put on shoes if you go outside. Call it wizardry... but I know my stuff.

Pisces
Feb. 19–March 20
You’re the sign doubting these horoscopes. I can assure you that they are extremely specific and accurate for each zodiac. Stop hating.
Annoying student managed to not piss off his friends this week

By Χρήση Σαδδοκκ
Playtex Sports Editor

The impossible was achieved this week as junior Barry Peterson went a whole week without irritating any of his friends. Peterson’s friend group, who are really more just friends with him due to proximity than actual liking, have been elated by this turn of events.

“I never knew he had it in him,” said reluctant friend of Peterson’s, sophomore Robert Jennings. “After he made misogynistic jokes in front of my girlfriend and me for about an hour, I had forsaken the idea of him ever not making me angry.”

At birth, Peterson was born with a severe case of obnoxiousness. It is disease that for years has been causing him distress, and even more so for the people that have to be around him. Symptoms of his illness include an uncontrollable flapping of the mouth, the need to voice political opinions during dinner time, a lack of proper manners, abrupt and uncalled for racial comments, general loudness and the compulsive quoting of Adam Sandler movies.

In the past, people have tried to help with his condition. Typically they did not last though, as they were done after hearing a quote from Happy Gilmore for the fortieth time. “Even his shrieking pterodactyl voice has dropped a few octaves,” commented junior Jaime Granger, who has had insomnia due to Peterson’s cackling laugh that drones on and on.

Many of his friends are optimistic that Peterson put an end to his obnoxiousness for good. “This is the beginning of a new chapter for Barry,” said senior Terry Fletcher. “No longer will he put salt in my drinks while I am not looking and then laugh for next ten minutes saying how stupid I am for falling for that.”

Frank Richter, who has known Peterson the longest, is much more cynical about everything. “You can’t stop an annoying person from being annoying,” said Richter, his mind on the fable of the scorpion and the frog. “You just hope one day they go away.”

No one is really sure how Peterson was able to overcome his usual annoying self, but some philosophers and theologians are pointing it as evidence that a god truly does exist in this world. Others speculate he might have finally got his shit together.

“I’ve been feeling under the weather this past week, so I haven’t really been myself,” said Peterson, coughing into his fist. “I know my friends have been missing my wacky sense of humor, but it’s just a cold. Pretty soon I’ll be back to my normal self!”

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DeSales Memes

EATING AT THE DUC DURING THE WEEK:

IT ISN'T IT?

HIKES, I PROBABLY SHOULDN'T HAVE MENTIONED THAT. HOPE YOU HAVE ENOUGH TO SHARE.

STILL IS THAT PIZZA I SMELL?

HEY GUYS THIS MAN HAS PIZZA.

MEANWHILE, IN INTRO PHILOSOPHY... THERE'S ALWAYS THAT ONE GUY.

WHEN DO WE GET TO THE HARD STUFF?

Father, can you tell us your name and how often you celebrate mass?

8:00 AM

DAILEY.

FIRST CLASS IS IN CAMPBELL

BRACE YOURSELVES

THE FACE YOU MAKE

FINALS ARE COMING

WHEN YOU STILL HAVE TO GO TO GRAD SCHOOL

Memes courtesy of DeSales Memes Facebook
Football team remains undefeated

By Barb E. Doll
Staff Writer

The DeSales football team has had yet another successful season, dominating the field of play. It’s quite extraordinary as they continue their unbeaten streak... a legacy that has continued from its conception in 1965.

Some of you may be thinking, and wondering why you have not heard of this team, but that is quite common as they are a very private community within themselves. The tendency for students and faculty alike is to talk about the losses of school teams and how badly they were beaten by their opponents. All of the other sporting teams on campus have such varied results, while this branch of Bulldogs remains consistent year in and year out.

Two essential rules and commitments must be followed and made to become a full-fledged member of the squad. The first rule of DeSales football is you DO NOT talk about DeSales football. The second rule of DeSales Football is you DO NOT talk about DeSales Football.

These strict regulations of what contributes to the team character made it difficult to conduct a formal, or even informal, interview about their accomplishments thus far. Head coach Tyler Durden was able to share a few carefully chosen words, limiting himself in much of the matters of the team.

“Our mission and goal for the team each and every year is to hit hard and stay low. Our competition has and will continue to crumble at our feet, becoming almost obsolete...” Durden said with a smirk, concluding his statement by saying “...and that is about as much as I can tell you.”

The team itself is very transparent in the business sense of the word: clear, unhindered honesty in the way that it does business. Precise goals and initiatives are set and made by the program and its leaders, dictating their season and ultimately reaping the benefits for the players and coaches alike.

The internal spirit of the DeSales football team is alive and well, with great expectation and high hopes that the winning streak will continue... and we are sure that it will.

In the last part of the game, LaSalle caught up and the score was 23-22, with DeSales still winning. The sporters were constantly running back and forth on the floor and it seemed pointless. If they were going to throw on one side of the floor, they should have just stayed there. Sporters from both teams wasted energy and then the running they did throughout the game.

In the last minute of the game, the audience got louder. They started chanting the numbers on the timer as they lowered. Some differed from the cult-chant and kept repeating “come on” and “let’s go”.

Main sporter and squad leader, Imaka DeHoops, threw the ball in the hoop as the loud buzzing noise went off for the final time. The audience cheered and it was announced that DeSales won 25-22. When asked if he was going to Disney World next like the Super Bowl commercial, he looked confused and denied the trip.

If you make jokes about the football team, you get these looks. Photo courtesy of DeSales super-secret football team.

In their last game against Cedar Crest College, DeSales won 57-52; however, the all ladies team gave the Bulldogs a run for their money.

Next home game against LCCC on Sunday, April 2.