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The great debate and why it never happened

News analysis
By Richard Strube

Hints, Rumors, and Allegations:

The Lieutenant Governor's debate, scheduled to be held in the Gaines Theatre on Friday night between L.F. Payne, John Hager and Bradley Evans, was abruptly canceled after Democratic Party nominee L.F. Payne refused to debate Republican party nominee John Hager because of a campaign ad Hager is running. This cancellation was the climax of the tumultuous week which led up to the debate, in which Reform Party Candidate Bradley Evans was invited to participate; an invitation which one Reform Party supporter has called "too little, too late." In order to reach an understanding of the complexities surrounding the debate it is necessary to go back to June of this year, before the threads of the story became inextricably entangled.

Chapter One: The Summoning

The story of this debate begins in June. CNU, in conjunction with the Daily Press and WAVY-TV 10, hosted the Republican Primary for the nomination of District Attorney. "It was such a success that all three organizations agreed to do it again," said CNU Vice-President John Miller. "We had hoped to organize a series of four debates, for the gubernatorial, lieutenant-gubernatorial, and House delegate candidates. We were

only able to secure two debates, however." These two debates were the recent Face-Diamondstein debate and the now defunct debate between the candidates for lieutenant-governor. The fact that the invitations to the Republican and Democratic parties were extended in June is important, for it is one of the only facts which all involved parties agree on. Both Payne and Hager accepted by July, and the debate was slated, some might say prophetically, for the night of October 31.

Chapter Two: The Fall And Rise Of Bradley Evans

While candidates Payne and Hager were beginning their campaigns, Evans was at the end of his. He had just lost the Reform Party nomination for lieutenant-governor to George Wood, a college professor from Patrick County. Wood was going to represent the Reform Party in Virginia with gubernatorial candidate Mamie Moore. Evans was no stranger to defeat in political campaigns. Since he first became involved in politics in 1988 Evans had run for the House of Representatives, the House of Delegates, the State Senate and the Board of Supervisors. In 1995 he ran for two offices at once, the board of supervisors in Chesterfield County and the House of delegates. Evans won 30 percent of the vote in that House race, a figure which he told the Richmond Times Dispatch in a recent interview is

"nothing to sneeze at." However, Evans had never won a campaign, and it seemed that once again victory had eluded him.

Such was not the case. Wood unexpectedly moved to West Virginia, withdrawing as a candidate. Moore also withdrew her candidacy, leaving the Reform Party without a ticket in the month of September. At an emergency meeting last month, the party's state committee nominated party chairman Sue Harris DeBauche as gubernatorial candidate. Her running mate? The perennial Bradley Evans. Thus began his self-described "uphill battle" to gain recognition on the campaign trail.

Chapter Three: Signs And Portents

As Republican and Democratic parties continued their respective campaigns into the month of October, trouble was beginning in Richmond. More precisely, trouble was beginning at Virginia Commonwealth University, which on October 6 had hosted a gubernatorial debate between Republican candidate James Gilmore and Democratic candidate Donald Beyer. And that was all. VCU, who hosted the debate at the request of former Governor L. Douglas Wilder, had neglected to invite Reform Party Candidate DeBauche, whose name would appear first on the ballot. Because the Reform Party has won at least 10 percent of the vote in every statewide election from 1992 to 1995, they are an officially recognized party in Virginia.

They need to win 10 percent of the vote this year in a statewide election to maintain that status. The fact that she was not invited to participate in the VCU debate was the catalyst for DeBauche to initiate a new battle in her war to, as she told the Richmond Times Dispatch, "break Virginia's two party system as it now exists." DeBauche petitioned the American Civil Liberties Union to sue VCU on the grounds of willful and intended exclusion from a state sponsored event. DeBauche's petition was sent to the ACLU's legal panel for review, where it is still pending.

Chapter Four: The Ins And Outs Of The Body Politic

As Payne and Hager continued to skirmish throughout the month of October, Evans' campaign was still struggling for recognition. Due in part to its late start, the Reform Party had missed several opportunities to present their platform.

At CNU, student and Reform Party supporter Jessica Hughes was frustrated to learn that Evans had not been invited to participate in the upcoming debate on campus. Armed with a copy of the Richmond Times Dispatch which had covered DeBauche's lawsuit, Hughes met with Vice President Miller on Monday, October 27 to find out why.

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Former CNU student in city treasurer's race

By Stephanie Mojica
Staff Writer

Marty Eubank, a candidate for Newport News City Treasurer is also a former CNU student. Eubank says that he is ready to take up where current Treasurer Doug Brown leaves off and is committed to take the office into the 21st century. "I have very fond memories of Christopher Newport College. I'm very proud and pleased that the college has grown to become a university and expanded to what it is today. It is certainly a tremendous asset to our community, and I hope to one day return to CNU something that it has given me."

Marty Eubank's thirteen years at the Treasurer's office have given him a sense of responsibility and commitment to the office and the taxpayers. "I am the most qualified candidate for City Treasurer. I'm the only candidate that has a working knowledge of all areas and aspects of this office. There will be no time nor taxpayers' money wasted on a learning curve that would take an outsider many years to overcome," said Eubank.

While the title City Treasurer sounds significant to voters, many

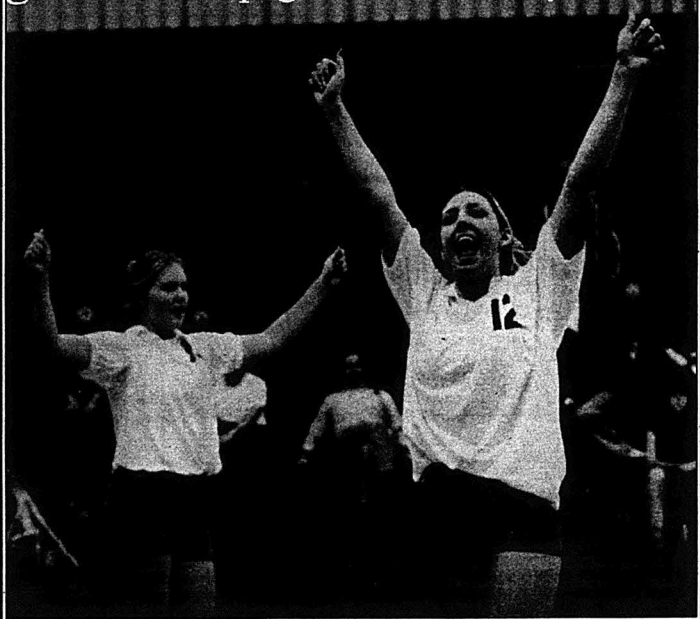
people do not know what the City Treasurer's duties are. The Treasurer oversees the operation involved with the billing and collection of over \$243 million worth of taxes, licenses, fees, and state and federal funding for the city. Also, the Treasurer serves on the retirement board and ensures that the investing of the city revenues earn the highest amount of interest possible, as well as making sure that the city has enough funds to pay their expenses.

"The City Treasurer, as an elected official, has the freedom to work with taxpayers on an individual basis. If they have a problem, he is committed to work it out with them and to have an open and responsive office to the public. The office answers to and serves the public, but not to the City Council or the City Manager. However, I am not only committed to working with the public but also working with our government to maintain that open and responsive office," said Eubank.

If elected City Treasurer, Eubank has many plans to aid in pushing the Treasurer's office

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CNU wins two of three conference games: see page 6 for full story.



Student votes are crucial for Tuesday's election

Political Commentary
By Quentin Kidd
Contributing Writer

There are, in case you have not yet heard, some important elections just around the corner. In a few days, Virginia voters will go to the polls and choose a new governor, among other local and state-wide offices.

However, if CNU students are in any way reflective of the state's population, many will not vote because they simply do not care about politics, public policy, or government.

Not caring, however, is not only dangerous, but irresponsible as well. There are many reasons why you should care about who wins and who loses in the upcoming elections. Among them, three stand out.

First, and most importantly from a practical perspective, you should care because other people do care, and those other people are going to do everything they can to shape government and public policy to fit their ideals. Keep this statistic in mind: the most politically active Americans make up less than 5 percent of the population.

The ideals that these politically active Americans have may not necessarily be the same as your ideals. You can go along not caring but you may wake up some day and

find that you are not very happy with something that government is or is not doing. By then, it may be too late to suddenly become concerned.

Second, you should care because it is one of your civic responsibilities to care and become involved. The United States is today even more of a participatory democracy than it was when the nation was founded over 220 years ago.

Along with such constitutional responsibilities as providing revenue to the government, citizens are afforded a wide range of rights and opportunities to shape the kind of public policy that government makes. By participating in the shaping of public policy, you help make democracy legitimate.

Finally, you should care because you are the future. I don't mean that you are the future because you are young and have many more years to live, although that certainly is true.

What I mean is that you are the future because you will be one of tomorrow's leaders.

As college educated people, you are tomorrow's leaders and society expects you to care and be responsible for the future of your community. After all, if you, who will be among society's most educated, do not care, then who will?

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into the 21st century. He plans to allow the payment of taxes and fees by electronic fund transfers. Additionally, Eubank wants to set up a monthly installment program for those individuals who find it hard to budget and pay taxes on a six-month basis. In addition he will continue to look for new ways to make the Treasurer's office better serve taxpayers.

"Several years ago, I realized my potential and set a goal for myself that one day I would be Treasurer. I feel like I've worked side by side with Doug Brown in the budgeting process for the office. I was in no hurry at all as long as he was Treasurer. Mr. Brown has been a good Treasurer and has treated me, as well as the rest of the office, very fairly. I have the utmost respect for him. When he announced that he was retiring in January, then I felt it was my time to step up," said Eubank.

Eubank's career in the Treasurer's office began when he was finishing his third year at CNU, which was then Christopher Newport College. He was majoring in Computer Science, and came to the Treasurer's office as a temporary clerk for the summer. However, an unexpected opportunity led Eubank to have to make a choice: complete the last year of his degree or start his career?

The realization that the age of automation was upon the Newport News

Treasurer's office led to the need of someone with the background and knowledge to guide Brown through that.

At that time, there was no one in the office with any computer experience. Doug Brown approached Eubank after recognizing his computer background. As a result, Eubank became the data processing coordinator for the Treasurer's office.

"It was a chance to get hands-on experience in my career field and I could not just turn down that opportunity. I don't regret not completing my degree because it certainly turned out well for me," said Eubank.

"I want to stress that I do believe in higher education, and it is something everyone should strive for even after completing their degree. There's certain fields, especially in science and technology, where continuing your education will be a lifelong commitment," said Eubank.

If elected, Eubank plans to emphasize the continuing of education for his employees in the Treasurer's office. Once funds are acquired from the city, he will push his employees to take college courses, that apply to the operation of the Treasurer's office.

"We need to instill in our youth the importance of education and public service," said Eubank. "We all have a responsibility to our community to strive to make it better."

Debate: The abdication of communication

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which all involved parties agree: On that same Monday, Miller invited Evans to participate in the debate. He also notified the Payne and Hager campaigns of this invitation.

What is uncertain is what precipitated it. "I knew that he wouldn't listen unless I made him," said Hughes. "CNU has been trying to ignore our candidate from day one, and it took the lawsuit at VCU to make them pay attention." Miller, however, says that Hughes arrived after he had already contacted Evans. "I invited him a couple of days ago, when I first read about him in the Daily Press," said Miller. "He told me that he would have to see if he could rearrange his schedule, and that he would let me know by noon Wednesday."

Evans was supposed to be in Kansas City on the 31st, at the Reform Party's national convention. He called Miller back on Wednesday to tell him that he had changed his plans, and would indeed be available to participate on Friday night. But by this time it was too late.

Was CNU being exclusionary? Hughes claims that they were grossly so. "I have sent them packet after packet of information, and not gotten a word in reply," she

claims. "It took the VCU lawsuit to give us a chance."

"Absolutely not," counters Miller. "There was never any intent to exclude anyone. We invited those candidates whom we were aware of in June. As soon as I became aware that Evans was a candidate, I called him."

Evans himself says that CNU should have consulted the State Election Board to determine whom to invite to the debates. "Certainly everyone knew that the Reform Party would be nominating. That was common knowledge," he said. "CNU should have made sure that all of the parties recognized by the State Election Board were included at the time of their first invitation. It is very hard to make changes at the last minute, especially at this stage of the campaign."

Chapter Five: Unto The Breach

In the same week that the Reform Party was invited to participate in CNU's debate, Hager's campaign ran a television ad against Payne. The ad charges that while Payne was a developer of the Wintergreen resort community in Nelson County he "violated the Consumer Protection Act, got caught, got sued, and lost." The ad also claims that Payne sponsored no education bills while he was a member of Congress.

By Wednesday the 29th Payne had an-

nounced that if Hager did not cease broadcasting the ad, he would not debate him on Friday night. When Hager did not desist, Payne released a statement on Thursday, announcing his withdrawal from the debate.

"I regret to announce that I will not take part in the debate because my opponent has chosen to continue running a scurrilous and false ad," Payne announced. "My opponent has breached the standard of truthfulness that we all must be accountable for in campaigns and in life... With this ad, his campaigns credibility has reached a new low."

Hager's campaign was quick to respond. "We aren't going to stop running the ad because it is true," said Hager spokesperson Mike Salster. "Everything it claims is well documented. Mr. Payne has demonstrated an insulting disregard for voters in Virginia by hiding the truth."

Salster offered an alternative explanation for Payne's withdrawal. "We wanted to debate Payne in every Congressional district holding an election," he said. "Mr. Payne is afraid to be called on the issue of the car tax in front of the public." Salster concluded by saying that "Mr. Payne has robbed the people of Virginia. He should be castigated, and should not be elected."

Todd Haymore of the Payne campaign dismissed Salster's allegations. "That is

ridiculous," he said. "L.F. (Payne) supports a reasonable plan to cut the car tax. Hager's ad is insulting to voters and to all individuals interested in a clear understanding. We had in fact looked forward to debating him until this outrageous action."

"It is very disappointing," said Haymore. "It is a terrible disappointment," said Salster.

"I'm disappointed in their refusal to debate," said Evans.

"Of course we're disappointed; they won't be here," said Miller.

Chapter Six: Ruminations and Epilogues

The lieutenant governor's debate is canceled. Mr. Payne has withdrawn. Mr. Hager has retreated. Mr. Evans has left for Kansas City. Mr. Miller has expressed regret. CNU may host more political debates in the future, or it may not. Mr. Miller said that has not yet been determined. CNU is an educational facility.

These debates would have been an excellent opportunity for students to become better informed, better educated participants in the political sphere. What the events surrounding this debate will say to those who will listen is uncertain. But it is unlikely that it will be as constructive as the debate itself. It may however be more revealing.

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NEWSBRIEFS

MIT Frat In Hot Water

Massachusetts Institute of Technology officials have banned alcohol from the Zeta Psi fraternity after under-age students tried to have a keg delivered to the fraternity house Oct. 10.

The incident happened only two weeks after an MIT freshman drank himself into a coma and died during a drinking binge at the university's Phi Gamma Delta fraternity house.

State investigators told campus police they followed a liquor truck to the house, where they stopped it in the process of delivering a keg to an under-21 student and picking up seven empty kegs.

All MIT fraternities, sororities and dormitories voluntarily banned alcohol from all social events after the Sept. 29 death of 18-year-old Scott Drueger. But students over 21 were still allowed to drink privately.

MIT officials said all students living at Zeta Psi are now forbidden to drink on the premises, although the university's 36 other Greek houses are not affected by the ban.

"I regret this ever happened," MIT dean of students Rosalind Williams told reporters at a press conference, adding that the Zeta Psi may be disciplined further. "The dean's office will be focusing on whether the fraternity has lived up to its organizational responsibilities."

Information provided by College Press Service.

Circle K Meetings

Circle K is holding our weekly meeting on every Thursday at 2:30 in the Student Center room 205. On November 8 we are delivering our baked goods to the Ronald McDonald House in Norfolk.

Student Leadership Institute

The Student Leadership Institute is a three-credit emerging leaders program designed to enhance skills in promising CNU students. The leadership class will meet on Friday afternoon during the Spring semester. Students will be the guests of the Institute at a retreat in January.

Students interested in becoming Resident Assistants, Project Assistants, or Student Government Officers are encouraged to apply, as are those students interested in holding leadership positions in a club or organization.

Applications may be found in the Office of Student Life and in the Captain John Smith Library at the circulation desk. The application deadline is 5 p.m., Nov. 5.

Questions should be directed to Donna Eddleman in the Office of Student Life located in the Student Center.

VA-COOL Conference

If you are interested in service, service-learning or volunteerism, please attend the "Eighth Annual Statewide Conference on Community Service and Higher Education." It is sponsored by Virginia Campus Outreach Opportunity League (VA-COOL) and will be held at Hampton University on Nov. 1 and 2.

CNU is a member of VACOOL so registration is only \$30 for students and \$60 for faculty/administrators/staff.

The conference will include workshops, an opportunity fair, a keynote speech by Mr. Michael Brown, Head of the Ronald H. Brown Foundation, entertainment, fun, and a chance to meet with those from other schools interested in service.

Students sue University of Michigan

Ann Arbor, Mich.- Two white students who claim they were denied admission to the University of Michigan because of their race filed suit Oct. 14 in a case that could influence affirmative-action policies at major public universities.

Jennifer Gratz, 20, and Patrick Hamacher, 18, say UM uses different standards to admit students of different races. Gratz, whose high school grade-point average was close to a 3.8, was denied admission to UM in 1995; Hamacher, whose average was a 3.3, was rejected in 1997.

At the center of the lawsuit is a screening grid made public last year that purports to show that UM favors minority students, including black and Hispanic students, by allowing lower test and grade standards.

At Michigan, where affirmative action has been openly used for years, officials say the suit misrepresents the admissions process.

The university says it considers not only an applicant's race, but also a variety of other factors, including: high school grade point average, test scores, alumni relationships, athletic ability and essay quality. "No one factor is determinative," said UM president Lee C. Bollinger.

The president defended UM's affirmative action policy in a prepared statement.

For almost 200 years, public universities have unblocked the doors to social and economic opportunity to students from many different backgrounds, he said, "and we believe it is absolutely essential that they continue to do so."

Information provided by College Press Service.



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Comedian Ken Groves
8 p.m. Terrace

Tuesday

SGA General Assembly meeting
12:15 p.m. SC 150

Seminar, "What can I do with a major in..."
9:30 a.m. SC 146

Wednesday

The Listening Post, sponsored by United Campus Ministries
9:30 a.m. SC Breezeway

Thursday

Career decisions and the disabled student
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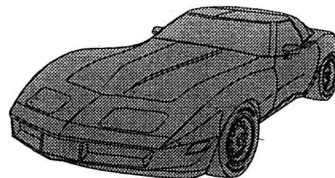
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Alternate Route: Rejuvenated local music scene beginning to rock

Joe Atkinson
Staff Writer

Finally, good live music is coming to the peninsula. Don't laugh, it's true. 96X, the lamest radio station in the east, has started some kind of deal with Mitty's, where half-decent bands will come through town every week and play for a miniscule 96 cents. This, my friends, may be cause for celebration. Tanya Donelly, formerly of Belly, the Breeders, and Throwing Muses, kicked the whole thing off last week with a great performance. In coming weeks, Letters to Cleo, Donelly's Boston neighbors, and Love Spit Love, featuring former Psychedelic Furs frontman Richard Butler, are scheduled to play. I don't know how long this is going to last so catch the shows while you still can. They're cheap and close by.

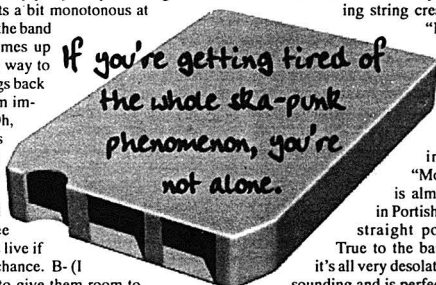
Virginia Beach natives Silverscene and Rip Dizzy opened the show. Silverscene played great shoegazer pop in the tradition of My Bloody Valentine and early Velocity Girl and should definitely come to the peninsula more often. Rip Dizzy played three-chord punk-pop and generally rocked like the neighborhood derelicts. I was able to pick up a copy of their CD; so, here's a review of that along with the rest of my reviews for the week.

Rip Dizzy - "Rip Dizzy" (Chromatone

Productions) I hear echoes of the Clash, the Kinks, and Elvis Costello all over this album. There are some genuinely fantastic moments here on songs like "Jailtown," and "She's the One," which sounds a lot like the Clash covering "I Fought the Law (and the Law Won)" and "I'm Still Waiting," where the three piece band blasts through the catchy tunes with great reckless abandon. There are plenty of strong melodies and herky-jerky tempos throughout. It gets a bit monotonous at times, but the band always comes up with some way to bring things back to life. I'm impressed. Oh, don't miss the great little hidden track at the end and go see these guys live if you get a chance. B- (I just want to give them room to grow)

Portishead - "Portishead" (Polygram/Go Beat Records) Portishead virtually defined the term trip-hop a couple of years ago with their debut album, "Dummy." That album's

highlight, "Sour Times (Nobody Loves Me)," was one of the most perfect songs of the decade and a surprise left-field hit. The new album picks up where the last one left off. Much to my delight, the band hasn't gotten any happier in the time it took to make the album. Geoff Barrow and Adrian Utley wrap their hip-hop influenced soundscapes around Beth Gibbon's beautiful voice with great precision. The big band horn punch of "All Mine" is offset by the cascading string crescendos of "Humming."



"Half Day Closing" is eerily soulful and distant sounding while "Mourning Air" is almost, at least in Portishead terms, a straight pop number. True to the band's nature, it's all very desolate and lonely sounding and is perfect for one of those grey, cold, rainy days. Hand your soul over to Portishead and have it dipped in liquid nitrogen. You won't be sorry, this is one of the best records of the year. A

The Pietasters - "Willis" (Hellcat/Epi-



taph) If you're getting tired of the whole ska-punk phenomenon, you're not alone. Of course, most of what passes for ska-punk on radio and MTV isn't very true to the genre. The Pietasters are the real thing, but they don't stop within the confines of the ska-punk genre. These guys draw from an enormous fountain of influences. The Jam, any number of the Motown greats and the Clash (again) all come to mind. This album is more ska-soul than anything. I can almost picture the horn section going through their choreographed moves on songs like "Stone Feeling" and "Out all Night." There isn't a bad song here and the band makes the three covers, "Quicksand," "New Breed" and a blazing rendition of the soul classic "Time Won't Let Me," sound like their own. The Pietasters wouldn't have been out of place seventeen years ago on a slab of vinyl. This album is a classic. I didn't think they made records like this anymore. A



Sailing next week...The Weekend Traveler's account of his stay on the Susan B. Constant.

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Where's the beef?

By Kris Van Deusen

Fall sports teams, with the exception of cross country, have never really been, how shall I say this, great. In fact they have rarely been decent. Okay, I'm talking about volleyball and men's soccer (women's soccer is in their first year and are supposed to be lousy). Only once has either of these teams finished first in the DIAC.

The Soccer team, in their 23 year history, has never finished first. Ever. They just cannot win the big one. Even with an 8-7 record this year they are still a pretty good team. Their schedule was tough and culminated in a 5-2 thumping by the ninth ranked team in the nation, Greensboro. But Greensboro beat them every year.

The volleyball team has finished first in the Dixie once in 20 years. That was a tie, and they still choked in the tournament. They won their first tournament under Art Thatcher, but that was during the regular season and doesn't really count as a championship. Don't get me wrong: Thatcher has done a wonderful job building the team that Coco Hoffman systematically destroyed, but they just cannot find that extra something to turn a great team into champions.

The majority of the school athletic success comes in the Winter and Spring with men's and women's basketball, men's and women's track, softball, and men's and women's tennis and golf. Men's Basketball is a perennial conference contender with NCAA bids just about every year. Women's Track have won so many national championships I stopped counting two years ago. The Men's Track Team won 10 straight Dixie titles until the conference dropped it for lack of participation. The Golf team has gone to NCAA national competition six of the last seven years, won three of the last five Va. Intercollegiate Division II and III titles, and one player, Scott Scovil won the national title in 1994. Men's tennis has won nine Dixie Championships. The women have won one. The softball team has finished first the last eight years, and women's basketball has garnered eight regular season titles and six NCAA bids. The only team that has not won a championship is the baseball team. They haven't even sniffed second place.

So, why is cross country the only Fall sport in which CNU has been declared the champs? Soccer and volleyball seem to get so close, yet find a way to lose it all when it comes to crunch-time.

With their loss to Greensboro, you can count the soccer team out of a Dixie title, although they made a great run for it. That also means no NCAA bid.

Volleyball still has a shot to win the tournament, although they have lost too many games to even come close to second place in the regular season.

Volleyball head coach, Art Thatcher once said of one of his earlier teams, "they're a good team. They just haven't learned how to win yet." We have great teams now, but they just haven't learned how to win championships yet.

SPORTS

Bittersweet Victories

By Casey Taylor
Staff Writer

In the last four home games of the season, the Lady Captains made a big jump in the Dixie Conference standings: from last place to tied for third with Ferrum.

Although the women were defeated by

number one ranked Averett College 15-11, 16-14, 15-13 and also by Washington and Lee University 15-9, 16-14, 13-15, 15-12, the Lady Captains defeated Methodist College 11-15, 15-9, 15-11, 15-7 and Ferrum College 9-15, 15-2, 15-13, 15-13.

The two losses to Averett and Washington and Lee hurt the Lady Captains; but it also inspired the girls to step up their game, and cut down on service errors and receiving errors. Coach Thatcher said, "The girls were moving to the ball and picking up tips a lot better against Methodist and Ferrum."

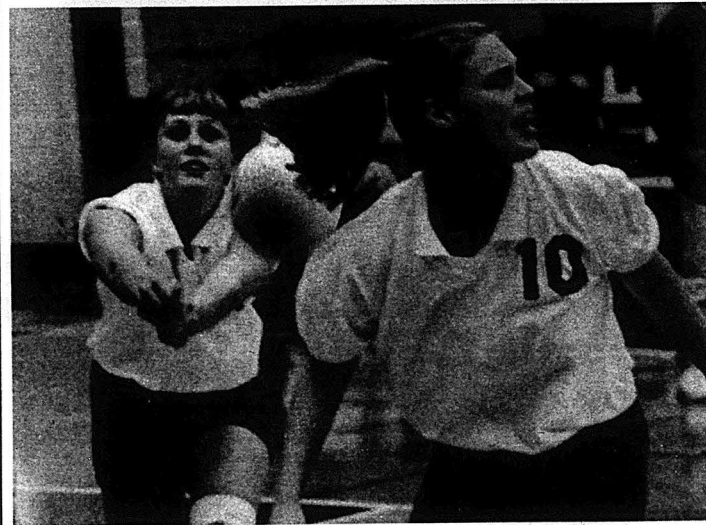
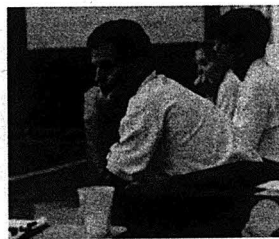
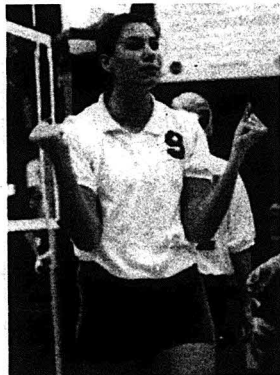
The morale of the team was also greatly boosted due to the crowd's involvement. "We always do better when people are

watching," Miranda Swaim said. With the Captain's baseball team leading the crowd with annoying "shhh's" to frustrate Ferrum and Methodist during their serves, their antics also provided the Lady Captains with a jolt of needed energy and excitement, the crowd with comic relief, and the referees with migraines.

Seng Chiu, the Lady Captain's assistant coach, said, "The little things went really well. We were playing great defense and passing free balls well. Our morale was real high because of the fans."

In the two winning games against Methodist and Ferrum, Amanda Adkins led the Lady Captains with 26 kills and 31 digs. Heather Vaden had 21 kills and Swaim had 24 kills. The two seniors, Rachel Hull and Dana Forrest, had strong performances in their last two games in Ratcliffe gym. Hull ended with 80 assists and 15 digs while Forrest contributed 9 kills.

The Lady Captains have one more tournament, at St. Mary's in Maryland. Even though they are mathematically unable to contend for the regular season crown with a 4-7 record, 17-16 overall, they still have a shot at the Dixie Conference Championship Tournament on November 4 at N.C. Wesleyan.



Top left: Miranda Swaim offers a gesture of success to her teammates. Top Right: Head coach Art Thatcher and Assistant coach Seng Chiu look on while trying to decide their next move. Bottom: Hollie Fuller looks toward the net in a frustration that has been indicative of the volleyball team recently as Heather Vaden lunges for the live ball in an Oct. 25 tri-match versus Averett and Washington & Lee. CNU lost to Averett, the DIAC's top team in close games (15-9, 16-14, 15-13). Washington & Lee needed four games to beat Washington & Lee (15-9, 16-14, 13-15, 15-12). Photos by Mike Leonard/The Captain's Log

Kicking through North Carolina

By Russell Scott
Staff Writer

The Lady Captains soccer team took a road trip to North Carolina for the majority of last week. CNU traveled to Chowan on Oct. 22, Greensboro on Oct. 25, and Lewisburg on Oct. 26, and won two of the three games.

The Lady Captains began their busy week by routing Chowan 5-0 last Wednesday. Everybody got into the action as CNU received goals from three different players and outshot the Braves 27-2. Freshman Jennifer Callaway led the team with two goals and an assist, and Freshman Jackie Miller added two goals of her own. Fresh-

man Elke Reisdorph also chipped in a goal and an assist. "We worked very well together, and also communicated very well," said Callaway. "Our play was on."

CNU coach, Emily Randall, agreed with Callaway. "It was a good game. The girls played very well together. We just shut them down," Randall said.

The team then took this momentum into their Dixie Conference battle against Greensboro on Saturday with hopes of earning their first conference win ever. However, the Lady Captains struggled with their first half defense which has been the cause of most of their losses this season. They gave up three goals in the first half and were not able to repair the damage in the second

which resulted in a 3-0 loss.

"Greensboro had a lot of experienced players," said Randall. "We came out flat in the first but shut them down in the second. It just wasn't enough." The loss dropped CNU to 4-10 on the year and 0-5 in the conference.

Next, the Lady Captains traveled to Lewisburg where they blanked the junior college 3-0. Once again, CNU received goals from Jackie Miller and Elke Reisdorph. Freshman Felicia Kaine also scored, helping the team earn the victory.

The Lady Captains will finally get some rest. They have a week off as they prepare for their final game against conference opponent Averett on Nov. 8.

Team player in an individual sport excels

Kris Van Deusen
Staff Writer

Jon Leggett stands 5'6" tall and weighs 126 pounds and is the most decorated CNU athlete so far this year. With two first place finishes and five Dixie Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Player of the Week awards, he is the cross country team's number one man. But, you will never hear him say it. "I'm the number two or three man on the team," said Leggett who gives more credit to teammates C. L. George and Jed Ward than he does himself. He also gives his brother, William, the credit for his whole career.

The 19 year old business management major began running in the sixth grade with his older brother who urged him to.

"I was a tad overweight. Well, fat," said

Leggett. "I wanted to do something about it. But, mostly it was my brother."

That something led to a two mile state track championship he claimed in the Spring of 1996 as a senior at Pope Paul VI high school in Fairfax, Virginia. He referred to himself as the second or third man on that team as well.

He was the number two or three man last year. However, with Nick Creasman, CNU's top runner a year ago, not competing this season due to complications with registration and Ward hobbling with a leg injury, Leggett has had to fill the void.

He did not do so well at the South Region meet last year.

"In the regionals last year I let the pressure get to me. I may have broken into the top half."

DIAC Athlete of the Week

Jon Leggett, cross country - Christopher Newport - The sophomore from Woodbridge, Va., finished sixth at the Mason-Dixon Conference Championship with an 8K time of 27:07. That earned him All-Mason-Dixon Conference honors.

He set specific goals for this year: to finish in the top seven in the Mason Dixon Championships, two or three at the Dixie Championships, and a lofty top 15 at regionals. He has already taken sixth in the Mason Dixon

and earned All-Mason-Dixon honors along with C.L. George finished ninth. Jed Ward was 17th. Skip Horton, Andy Riley, and Jared Shirley were 22nd, 23rd, and 24th re-

spectively.

He went into the DIAC championship meet last weekend with a nagging lower leg ailment.

I have shin splints," he said. "They've been giving me problems. I was a basket case last week (before the Mason Dixon meet) trying to get back into it. I wasn't sure until the day before if I would race. I'm surprised I did as well as I did."

Jon Leggett has done well in his new found leadership position and not only in practice and competition. He constantly concerns himself with the team. His parting words were, "make sure you mention my teammates in the article."

The men and women's cross country teams will compete this weekend in the South Region Championship at University of the South.

Midnight Madness rocks Ratcliff Gym

By Chris Perry
Staff Writer

At the stroke of midnight on Oct. 25, the lights went out at Ratcliff Gym, a spotlight focused on center court, and one by one CNU Men's and Women's Basketball players were introduced to an enthusiastic crowd of 400 who had come to take part in CNU's first public Midnight Madness.

"I had no idea what to expect," said Men's Head Coach C.J. Woollum, who was convinced by his five senior players that having the team's first official practice of the year open to the public was a good idea.

"This is an amazing turnout..." he added. "I think everyone enjoyed it and the kids got to show off a little bit."

Show off they did, when the team's warm-up routine turned into a dunk fest. The dunks, along with some solid play, provided thrills as the Captains performed in a high scoring inter-squad scrimmage.

"We have talent, there is no doubt about that," said Woollum. "We have a strong senior group who have given us great leadership during the preseason."

The women took the court as well to give the crowd a look at things to come. Head Coach Cathy Parson was also optimistic after her squad's more defensive minded scrimmage. "They played defense," said Parson. "Our score was low, but I saw some good things. I think once we get the bugs out everybody will be fine and we will see a great brand of basketball."

Other festivities included three point contests, free throw contests, and prizes.

"We are going to try to do this every year from now on," said Sports Information Director Wayne Block. "Hopefully the excitement that was generated will carry over to next year and we can get more students out here."

Men's Goalkeeper Stats

G	Min	Shots	Saves	Goalw	Gave	Shutouts
James Lind, GREEN	11	913	93	39	3	0.89
Adamo Piperno, SHEN	8	675	52	9	120	5
Halldor Steingrimson, METH	14	1103	75	21	171	4
Joseph Pennington, CNU	15	1312	122	92	38	2.66
Ron Gillispie, NCW	14	1215	88	28	207	2
Joe Nelson, SHEN	9	495	24	13	236	1
Glenn Harrison, FER	1	1005	100	75	30	2.48
Brandon Culbreth, AVER	13	1140	153	118	39	2.76

Goalkeeper stats

G	Min	Shots	Saves	Goalw	Gave	Shutouts
Shelby Berkhimer, SU	14	1263	8	8	0.57	9
Jennifer Foreman, NCW	18	1680	71	16	0.86	9
Jessica Kupper, MC	16	1446	60	25	1.56	4
Stacia Place, CNU	7	514	53	42	11	1.93
Christen Kelley, GC	10	529	113	55	12	2.04
Kristy Doherty, CNU	7	454	39	26	13	2.58
Patty Raabe, GC	12	605	111	44	18	2.68
Cindy Rhinehart, FER	8	650	70	50	20	2.77

Men's and Women's DIAC Soccer Stats

Men's Scoring

G	Goals	Assists	Points
Scott Kennell, NCW	14	18	40
Paul Smith, METH	15	14	35
Kennel Kame, METH	15	0	27
Richard Romanus, GREEN	13	0	23
Will Gregory, SU	13	0	21
Ron Silva, SU	12	0	21
Joe Moriarty, CNU	15	7	20
Oscar Gomez-Romero, CNU	14	7	19
Keith Mann, AVER	14	5	19
Jason Richardson, GREEN	13	7	19
Steven Barriola, FER	14	8	17
Phil Combs, SU	12	6	16
Garbe Bailey, AVER	11	7	15
Shaun Abbott, CNU	15	6	15
Pope Lewis, SU	12	6	15
Dan Collins, GREEN	12	5	15
James Gallardo, GREEN	12	5	14
Carlton Mack, GREEN	13	5	13
Mike Carey, FER	14	4	12
John Hollomon, GREEN	13	3	11
Erik Lawton, METH	11	3	9
Ricky Gallegos, CNU	11	2	7
Jack Howard, METH	7	2	7
James Habbe, CNU	13	2	6
Allan Raymond, AVER	9	1	4
Kenton McCourt, NCW	5	2	0

Women's Scoring

G	Goals	Assists	Points
Nicole Durand, GREEN	14	17	36
Alexa Kapanian, NCW	17	16	34
Casey Nickolls, METH	12	13	29
Kerry Jacobs, SHEN	14	10	26
Kim Olson, NCW	18	9	24
Sarah Wachler, AVER	12	8	19
Trisha Clinton, METH	15	6	17
Susan Sautter, FER	13	6	16
Ashley Keller, SHEN	14	7	15
Amy Bowser, NCW	12	6	15
Shannyn Tetra, SHEN	14	6	15
Megan Sanderson, NCW	10	5	15
Tiffany Strother, FER	12	5	14
Elizabeth McLeod, METH	15	5	14
K. Gregory, AVER	16	6	13
Jamie Funk, NCW	18	4	13
Elizabeth Adams, FER	14	4	12
Jackie Miller, CNU	13	5	11
Hilary Wager, FER	14	4	11
Patty Healy, SHEN	13	2	10
Costa DelCorral, NCW	13	3	8
Henrich Cisewicz, SHEN	8	2	6
Elke Reisdorff, CNU	9	2	1
Keri Newberger, NCW	7	2	0
Hunter Achley, SHEN	4	2	0
V. Castegren, AVER	3	1	2

Men's Soccer Standings

Through Oct. 26, 1997

	Conf.	Pts	Overall	PCT
Greensboro	3-0-0	6	9-3-1	.731
CNU	3-1-0	6	8-7-0	.533
Shenandoah	2-2-0	4	9-4-0	.592
Methodist	2-2-0	4	8-7-0	.533
N.C. Wesleyan	2-1-0	4	7-8-0	.467
Averett	1-3-0	2	4-10-0	.286
Ferrum	0-4-0	0	3-11-0	.214

Women's Soccer Standings

Through Oct. 26, 1997

	Conf.	Pts	Overall	PCT
N.C. Wesleyan	4-0-1	9	13-3-2	.778
Shenandoah	4-0-1	9	9-3-2	.714
Methodist	4-1-0	8	7-0-0	.833
Greensboro	2-3-0	4	7-7-0	.500
Ferrum	2-2-0	4	6-6-2	.500
CNU	0-5-0	0	4-10-4	.286
Averett	0-5-0	0	4-11-1	.281

Your Daddie's Picks:

Arizona at Dallas: Cowboys win. No drug testing this week.
Chicago at Minnesota: Any team that beats Miami gets the nod.
New Orleans at Oakland: But, I am Napoleon!!!
Detroit at Washington: I hate Washington.
N.Y. Jets at Miami: Miami rules!
St. Louis at Green Bay: Favre spells his name funny.
New England at Buffalo: Alex Van Pelt to the rescue. Whatever.
Kansas City at Jacksonville: Chiefs will romp...great googala-moogala.
Cincinnati at Indianapolis: Harbaugh hurt his wittle hand on Jim Kelly's ugly face. Poor baby.
Tampa Bay at Atlanta: Dungee will give the ball to Dunn who needs to produce for my fantasy team.
Carolina at Denver: The Kitties will freeze. They'll cough and sneeze.
N.Y. Giants at Tennessee: Oh, my God, Becky, the Giants are in first place.
Seattle at San Diego: Natron Means...trade, baby! Show me the money.
Baltimore at Pittsburgh: Everyone thinks you're good Kordell. I think you're not. So there.
San Francisco at Philadelphia: Philly-delfia is the nastiest city in the world. Trust me. It's gross.



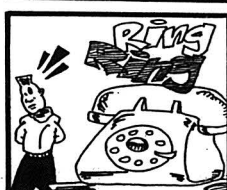
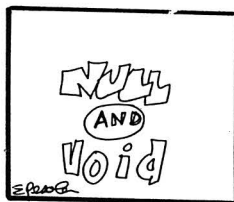
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I just want to thank mostly Alpha Phi for all the support during the last two weeks. I love you all. ΣΠ thanks for the red roses & cards. ΠΑΦ-thanks for the card. Love you all, Ruth Anne